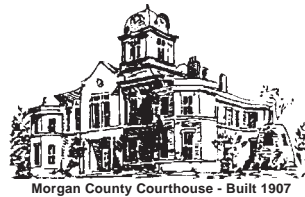


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Tobacco mtgs. scheduled for Feb. 5 and 12

The Innovative Tobacco Grower's Program (ITGP) is for tobacco growers who are planning to stay in tobacco production and would like to enhance the profitability of their tobacco enterprise. The program will consist of two sessions during which in-depth information on tobacco production practices and management will be presented.

Growers completing the program can expect to gain a better understanding of how tobacco plants grow and develop, and how management decisions impact growth, yield and profitability. This program is open to any interested tobacco grower.

Session One

Budgeting Tools, Decision Making, Labor Laws & Compliance, Tobacco Variety Characteristics, Transplant Production, Transplant Diseases and Field Site Selection & Preparation.

Session Two

Fertilization For Optimum Yield & Quality, Insect Pests & Their Control, Common Weeds In Tobacco & Their Control, Field Diseases, Topping & Sucker Control, Harvest Management and Stripping & Market Preparation.

Sessions will be 6 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 5, and 6 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 12, at Hazel Green Fire Department. There will be a free meal each night. Contact the Morgan County Extension Office at 743-3292 for more information.

Signers are still needed to insure new water lines

The Morgan County Water District still needs residents to come into the office and apply for water on the following roads to insure that they will be included as part of the Phase 12 Water Line Extension Project:

Right Fork of Pleasant Run Road, Hwy. 1161, Rube Branch, Indian Branch, Mortica Branch, Steele Branch, Hwy. 205, Demund Loop, Halsey Fork, Nickels Branch, Walter Branch, Glen Lawson Road, Woody Cantrell Road, Pelfrey Branch Road, Big Branch Road, Conley Branch, Old House Branch, Dedman Branch, Hinson Branch, Piney Branch, Pasture Branch, Wheeler Road, Little Caney Branch, Hwy. 1715, Doc Ison Branch, Fyffe Branch.

Water District Manager Cindy Montgomery urges residents in the above areas to not let this opportunity pass them by. "The selection process depends on new customers signing up," said Montgomery. "Don't let your road be dropped from the project for lack of signers."

The cost is \$590.00 for the tap-on fee and \$50.00 deposit. Montgomery urges residents to "Come in to the office today and pay in full or let us work out a payment plan to fit your needs."

The Morgan County Water District office is located at 408 Prestonsburg Street.

Anyone with questions can call us at 743-1204 and we'll be happy to assist you," said Montgomery. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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Testers have detected programming programs with electronic touch-screen voting machines such as this one used in Morgan County.

Co. Clerk believes local voting machines reliable but problems noted

To date, problems and malfunctions that have occurred with some of Morgan County's touch-screen voting machines have resulted in no disputed vote counts. In the one incidence when a voting machine recorded one candidate's vote twice, it was detected by election officials in the normal review and certification process and corrected.

However, a recent Associated Press story by George Merritt noted that top election officials in several states have declared that new voting equipment now in wide use across the nation is unfit for elections and that many officials are moving to return to the paper ballots they abandoned after the Florida debacle of 2000.

While Morgan County Clerk Randy Williams is confident that the electronic voting system in place here since 2006 is reliable, he acknowledges that some of the new touch-screen machines have caused some problems.

The federal government and others believe that electronic voting machines should also include a reliable method for "leaving an auditable paper trail" to track each vote cast, which the machines now in use do not do.

However, that recommendations also poses problems, Williams said, not the least of which is that such systems are hard to use.

According to John Gideon of the advocacy group Voters Unite, "every system out there (now), one state or another has found that electronic voting equipment out there is no good. Everybody is starting to look at this now and starting to realize that there is something wrong."

According to Merritt's story, with the presidential race in full swing, California, Ohio and Florida have found that security on touch-screen voting machines is inadequate. Testers have been able to disable the systems and even change vote totals.

The "hanging chads" in the Florida vote count in the disputed 2000 Al Gore-George Bush election helped lead to a \$3 billion government initiative to bring voting into the digital

age and legislation passed in 2002 effectively required that states have electronic equipment in place by 2010.

There are no documented cases of actual election tampering involving

electronic voting machines, but in tests, researchers in Ohio and Colorado found that electronic voting systems could be corrupted with magnets or with Treos (cell phones known as smartphones) and other similar handheld devices.

In Colorado, voting machines purchased from three separate suppliers were decertified because of security weaknesses, including a lack of password protection. Equipment made by one of the suppliers—Election Systems and Software (ES&S)—had programming errors.

The Iivotronics voting machines purchased by Morgan County in 2006 and used by voters here in the last four elections utilize ES&S software. In each of those elections, problems occurred with three of the county's 25 touch-screen machines. County Clerk Williams said that tests conducted on two of the machines — one in the Dingo precinct and one in West Liberty Ward 3—revealed programming errors that prevented the machines from shutting down at the end of the day and that required technical assistance from a company representative to rectify, delaying the vote count but having no affect on the totals.

The third recalcitrant voting machine—in the Ezel precinct—is another story. At each election, it has "locked up," Williams said, requiring hours-long long delays in the vote count by the county election board at the end of the day while a technician struggled to open the machine and extract the totals.

The problems experienced with Morgan County's voting machines highlight what some consider a potential security problem: their operation is too dependent on the manufacturer or supplier's technicians who must be relied upon when malfunctions occur.

Williams said the company that

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Legal action to collect tax levy from RECC topic at Monday's Council meeting

By Miranda Cantrell James

The West Liberty City Council at its regular monthly meeting on Monday evening heard an update on delinquent payroll tax collections from City Attorney Joleen Frederick, who is currently considering available options to collect quarterly deductions from Licking Valley RECC.

Frederick said the city is considering legal action against LVRECC after the rural electric co-op previously notified the city it would not deduct the payroll tax from its employees' wages to pay the one-half of one percent levy.

"Licking Valley RECC has withheld occupational taxes in every county in their territory," Frederick said. "Co-ops are exempt from profit taxes, but they are not exempt from occupational taxes," she said.

"I have been told by RECC Board Attorney Greg Allen that the co-op's board members are standing firm in the belief they do not have to pay the tax. However, an occupational tax does not belong to the company; it is a tax on the employees. It is their tax for their occupations."

Frederick said a group action lawsuit against LVRECC by some or all of the counties in the co-op's service area may be the only means of collecting the tax, though, she noted, the RECC board attorney also serves as Magoffin County attorney.

(According to its website, Licking Valley RECC serves 12,280 members and owners in Morgan, Wolfe, Breathitt, Magoffin, Lee, Menifee, Rowan and Elliott counties.)

Community Blood Drive set Feb. 7th

You don't have to leap from tall buildings to be a hero. Donating blood or platelets saves lives. Every three seconds someone in Kentucky needs a blood transfusion. That need continues to grow, but with just one blood donation, you can do your part to ensure that the local blood supply is at peak levels.

Donate at the Morgan County Community blood drive on Thursday, Feb. 7, from noon -7:30 p.m., at the Community Center in West Liberty.

The drive is sponsored by the Morgan County Lions Club. Refreshments will be provided by the West Liberty Homemakers.

Your donation could help save as many as three local patients who need you to be their hero. All you need to do is donate blood or platelets.

The requirements to be a donor are simple—17 years of age, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in general good health. It takes less than an hour

Electric cable stolen from clubs' booths at Co. Fairgrounds

Electrical wiring stolen recently from food booths at the County Fairgrounds will cost two local community service organizations about \$300 each to replace.

The theft was reported Sunday by Rotary Club member Tony Adkins, who discovered that a 100 ft. cable had been stolen from the club's concession booth. Another 100 ft. cable also was taken from a concession booth belonging to the Kiwanis Club.

West Liberty police are investigating. A police spokesman estimated the three-strand aluminum cables would be worth about \$15 each on the black market,

BULLETIN

Licking Valley RECC General Manager/CEO Kerry Howard told the Courier late Tuesday afternoon that the co-op began withholding the city's occupational tax from employees' wages as of Jan. 1, and will send city officials a quarterly payment in March.

Howard said cooperative board members recently reviewed new case law regarding occupational taxes and will not contest payment of the local levy.

City council members were not aware of Licking Valley RECC's decision when they met on Monday evening.

"This [group action] is the only thing I can think of that the city can do," Frederick said. "In most of our ordinances, we can actually single out the employees. If the city can get in a position to tax employees individually, the co-op employees may go to their employer and ask, 'Why aren't you withholding our taxes?'"

Mountain Telephone, also a member-owned co-op, is currently complying with the occupational tax ordinance and withholding the levy from employees' wages.

Mayor Bob Nickell commented on occupational tax collection following Frederick's report.

"The city will not let the payment issue with Licking Valley RECC stand as it is," Nickell said. "I think the tax is very fair and equitable, and it is a very small amount. The only other choice [for the city] was to cut back and operate on an unprofessional level without the tax, and not be able to purchase necessary

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Forest, woodland owners meeting

Kentucky landowners, farmers, foresters, policymakers and others who have an interest in woodlands can learn more about alternative fuel sources, carbon markets, ecotourism and other issues at a state conference in Somerset next month.

Some of the leading experts in the field of forestry will be speaking at "Kentucky Woodlot\$: Capture the Value" conference Wednesday, Feb. 20, at The Center for Rural Development. The conference, sponsored by 15 stakeholders, will explore the latest market trends on how to reach and "capture" the maximum value of America's forests and woodlands.

"This is the first time agriculture leaders and forest/woodland owners have met to discuss common issues and emerging opportunities in the industry," said Harvey Mitchell, director of agriculture outreach for The Center for Rural Development and one of the program moderators.

Legal advertising provides vital info of public interest

Informed citizens know that one way to stay abreast of what is going on in state, county, an local government is to read the legal advertisements in their local newspaper. Ordinances, public meetings on planning for road and infrastructure projects, court notices of public sales, and other information of public interest are published regularly, as required by law.

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The WEVE Family Resource Center would like to thank the Eastern KY ATV Association for helping to make Christmas brighter for our children. The association has generously donated toys for the past several years. Shown with some of the toys are Carolyn Bishop, FRC Coordinator, and Tim Smith, Eastern KY ATV Association member and West Liberty Elementary parent.

Lacy Creek

Jan. 31—Mr. and Mrs. David Arnett and Makayla, of Bath County, Berma Gamble, of Ezel, and Mr. and Mrs. Kennell Lewis visited last Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Arnett. Kennell and Leova visited Sunday with Bonnie Center, of Mount Sterling. Janice Stapleton and Jerrica visited with the Lewises last week. Kennell and Leova Lewis attended the funeral of Mollie Kennard Saturday at Primitive Baptist Church on Rockhouse.

Recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Dan LeMaster, Jr. have been William Dan LeMaster, Tanner Mabry, and Bill Lewis. Joyce LeMaster and Nicholas Blackburn visited last week with Jewell Young and Tanner Mabry. Jimmy Bailey visited last week with Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Nickell.

Mr. and Mrs. Gearld Nickell, Mr. and Mrs. Roby Gullett, Sharon Haney, Randy Nickell and girls, and Bear Brooks visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Nickell. Mr. and Mrs. Gearld Nickell, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Nickell, Freda Keaster, Rosie Faye Richie, Sue Bacon, Betty Robinson, and Anna Carol Fugate attended the funeral of Mollie Kennard at the Primitive Baptist Church on Rockhouse Saturday. Betty Robinson and Anna Carol Fugate visited this week with Linda Garrison.

Junction News

By Kathy Bolin

Jan. 28 — Greetings from the Junction.

Elva Jean Pack called me this weekend and updated me on her family. Johnny and Jennifer's daughter, Jenna, was taken to Paul B. Hall on Saturday with severe bronchial problems, dehydration and an ear infection. She was expected to come home on Tuesday. Also, Elva Jean told me that her oldest son, Ronnie, who lives in Piqua, Ohio, had a lung removed and is healing from his surgery.

Phyllis (Wright) Price and Ben Samuel Wright, of Williams Creek, had a sister-in-law pass away last week. She was married to their brother, Paul, who lives in Texas.

Also, Henry Bailey's brother-in-law, Bill Barber, who is married to his sister, Edna, is having health issues. Prayers and condolences go out to all.

On Saturday Chassie Bailey had a supposed surprise birthday party. You just cannot keep anything from the wise one. A good time was had by all.

Well, that's it for now; see you next week.

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Historical Society members thanks auction donors

The members of the Morgan County Historical Society want to thank the following businesses and individuals that contributed items or money for our 2007, 14th annual fund raising auction. The December auction was a success and generated funds that will be used for upkeep and repair to the

museum. We appreciate your support!

The Headquarters, Advance Auto Parts, All Occasion Flowers, Lykins Music and Pawn, Licking Valley Courier, Gift Baskets Galore, Commercial Bank, Bank of the Mountains, Season's Florist, Pizza Express, B&J Quick Stop, Holbrook Brothers, Brown's West Liberty Ford, McKenzie's Pool & Lunch, Dairy Cheer, Morgan Chevrolet, Giovanni's Pizza, Pattie's Place, Sugar & Slice, Freezer Fresh

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A special thank you to member Joyce Brown for doing a major part of collecting items for the auction.

Growing at Grace

We are elated to know that Keith Holbrook has been named Religious Leader of the Year by the MCMS. We know this title is well deserved by Keith. He has a heart that is devoted to God and his special devotion is for the young people. Keith and his family were among ten people who volunteered from Grace Baptist Church as a mission to the Wrigley community in April 2005 and were established as Wrigley Baptist Mission until seventeen months later when, in August 2006, they were constituted into a church. Wrigley Baptist Church. This is a growing young church and very active in promoting the Christian growth of all young people. Keith did a wonderful job as a youth leader and deacon for Grace Baptist Church and we still miss him and all the people who left a well established church and a church family who dearly loves them to do as God asks all of us to do, to spread His word. We think MCMS made a great choice!

We wish to thank Pastor Jessie Rogers of the Broadway Church of God in West Liberty for inviting our Pastor, Mike Lindon, to preach and several of our children's ministries, Grace in Motion Puppeteers, Clown Ministry, and Tessa Brown, a member of Hands of Praise, to perform at their church on Sunday evening, January 20, 2008. Our young people love being able to minister wherever they are asked because it gives them a chance to show their love of God and helps them to be able to witness to a lot of different people, especially to people of their own age. We hope the congregation of Broadway Church of God received as much of a blessing as those who went from Grace.

Pastor Mike and Brother Rufus Smith will again be attending a Pastor's Conference in Jacksonville, Florida this coming weekend. This is a time for them to have an opportunity to fellowship, refresh and renew their spirits with other pastors from all over the country. We will have a guest speaker, Brother Von Hanshaw, while they are away. He has preached at Grace in the past and we are looking forward to the privilege of hearing him once more.

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How do I apply?

Simply call Mountain Telephone at 606-743-3121 and provide a form that has been completed by the agency providing the qualifying services listed above.



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LEGALS

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE Pursuant to Permit No. 888-0086 Single Area Bond Release

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Mine Rite Coal Co., Inc., #22 Noisy Branch Road, Keaton, Ky. 41226 has applied for a Single Area Bond Release on permit #888-0086, which was last issued on April 04, 2006. The application covers an area of approximately 28.91 acres located 0.05 miles east of Relief in Morgan County.

The permit area is approximately 0.15 miles southwest of Ky. 172 junction with Ky. 1614 and is located along the waters of Browns Branch. The Latitude is 37d 56m 50s N. The Longitude is 82d 59m 16s W.

The bond now in effect for the single area is in a (Bond-pool, BP-89025-87-\$35,800.00 and a letter of credit No. 918 for the amount of \$9,500.00 of which 50% of the total for the single area release listed is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: Grading, seeding, and mulching, and successful establishment of the post-mining land use, which was completed April, 2006.

Written comments, objections, or requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by March 12th, 2008.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on March 13th, 2008, at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite #6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by March 12th, 2008.

This is the final advertisement of this application: All comments, objections or requests for a conference or hearing must be received within 30 days of the day of this notice.

C-1-10-4t (Pub. Jan. 10, 17, 24, 31)

PUBLIC (LEGAL) NOTICE ADVERTISEMENT MORGAN COUNTY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Pursuant to Section 324, Title III of the 1986 Federal Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) of 1986 (PL-99-499), the following information is provided in compliance with the Community Right-To-Know requirements of the SARA Law, and open records provisions of the Kentucky Revised Statutes. Members of the public may contact the Morgan County Emergency Planning Committee by writing Irene Jenkins of 450 Prestonsburg Street, West Liberty, KY 41472, or contact by telephone at (606) 743-4169. The Morgan County Emergency Planning Committee conducts meetings at the County Courthouse, in accordance with the Kentucky Open Meetings Law. Members of the public may request to be notified of regular or special meetings as provided in KRS 61.820 and KRS 61.825. Records of the Planning Committee, including the county emergency operations plan, material safety data sheets, and inventory forms, or any follow-up emergency notices as may subsequently be issued, are open for inspection, and members of the public who wish to review these records may do so between 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday at the West Liberty County Government building as required by the Kentucky Open Records Law. The local 24-hour telephone for purposes of emergency notification, as required by SARA, is (606) 724-5554.

C-1-31-1t

PROBATE NOTICE

Notice is hereby given on this 22 day of January 2008, that Pauline Montgomery has been appointed the Executrix of the Mayme McGuire Risner Estate. Anyone indebted to said Estate should pay the undersigned immediately. Anyone having a claim of any nature against said Estate should file the same, properly verified, with the undersigned no later than six (6) months from the date of this publication.

Pauline Montgomery
280 Carter Brooks Lane
Lexington, Ky. 40511
D. Joleen Frederick
P.O. Box 508
West Liberty, Ky. 41472
C-1-31-1t

PUBLIC NOTICE OF BLASTING SCHEDULE

In accordance with 405 KAR 16:120E, Morgan County Coal, Inc., 989 Stephens Branch Road, Martin, Ky. 41649, Telephone: 606-285-0135, Permit #888-0087 proposes to conduct blasting operations approximately 0.05 miles north of Matthew in Morgan County, Ky. Blasting is proposed to begin on or about February 09, 2008 and continue through February 09, 2009.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.053 miles north of KY 364's junction with KY 1969, and is located 0.03 miles west of Tarklin Branch. KY 364 may be closed periodically for short periods of time due to blasting.

Blasting will be conducted during daylight hours, Monday through Sunday. No blasting will be done from sunset to sunrise. Access to the area will be blocked (10) minutes prior to shot by a company representative. Appropriate signs and markers will be placed at all entrances to the mine to regulate entry to the blasting area.

The warning signal and all clear signals, using a siren, will be audible within one-half mile of the blasting area, and will be sounded before and following a blast. A series of one (1) minute blasts of a siren will be sounded five (5) minutes prior to the blast signal. The blast signal will be a series of short blasts of the siren sounded one (1) minute prior to the blast. The all clear signal following blasting will be one (1) prolonged blast of the siren.

All blasting will be conducted during the designated time periods except in case of emergency conditions. Emergency conditions may include but are not limited to rain, lightning or other atmospheric conditions, management problems or safety to the public or operator. In the event of any emergency, all residents/personnel within one-half mile will be orally notified, and the signal sounded before detonation.

C-8-31-1t pd.

CREATE IN ME

Create in me a clean heart, Oh God and renew a right spirit within me, cast me not away from thy presence and take not thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation and uphold me with thy free spirit.

(Submitted by Alpha Clevenger)

BID NOTICE (Amended)

Morgan County Fiscal Court will be accepting sealed bids for the installation of a ADA approved Portable Toilet at the County Transfer Station. (Bid price to be effective for the year of 2008). Sealed bids will be accepted through 4:00 p.m. February 5, 2008. Bids may be submitted to Morgan County Fiscal Court, Judge/Executive's Office, 450 Prestonsburg Street, West Liberty, Ky. 41472 Mon.-Fri. 8:00-4:00 p.m. Bid opening will take place at the Fiscal Court Meeting on February 5, 2008 at 5:30 p.m.

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C-1-24-2t (Pub. Jan. 24, 31)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION AND TRANSPORTATION COORDINATION MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a public meeting will be held on Feb. 1, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. at the Gateway Central Office, 124 College Street, West Liberty, KY. for the purpose of coordinating planning and public involvement in applying for Federal operating assistance under Section 5311 of the Transportation Equity Act of the 21st Century (TEA-21), generally described as follows: A one year (with subsequent years anticipated) funding to continue operation of vans with special equipment to serve the general public as well as the elderly and persons with disabilities. This program is owned and operated by Gateway Community Action Agency. Services are focused in West Liberty to transport the elderly in the Adult Day Care program and provide "Demand Response" public transportation to all interested citizens in West Liberty. An occasional prearranged trip to Morehead is also offered.

Another grant in the amount of \$25,000 in operating funds is being requested. Local funds will be used for a 50/50 match for a total budget of \$50,000 funds.

No persons, families or businesses will be displaced by this project. Nor will it have a negative impact on the community. As proposed this project is in conformance with all comprehensive land use and transportation planning in the service area.

This project is designed to address the needs of the elderly and persons with disabilities before any other segment of the population. Gateway has adopted and complies with a Section 504 plan regarding nondiscrimination of the elderly and disabled.

Gateway does not operate a charter bus operation in the service area. This project as proposed will not interfere with any private or public transit services in operation.

At this meeting, Gateway will afford an opportunity for any other transportation provider, social service agency, civic organization, church or interested parties to participate. Comments and ideas are being sought with respect to the social, environmental and economic aspects of the project, especially regarding combining and maximizing local resources and services.

A copy of the application along with route and scheduling information is available for public inspection at the Gateway office at 124 College Street, West Liberty, KY.

C-1-24-2t (Pub. Jan. 24, 31)

SEALED BID FOR RUNNING TRACK RESURFACING MORGAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

The Morgan County Board of Education will be accepting sealed bids for the resurfacing of the running track at Morgan County High School.

The scope of this project will consist of cleaning the track surface, applying tack oil, and installing 1 1/4" of compacted asphalt surface. The project's completion date is March 2008.

Bids need to be placed in a sealed envelope and labeled "Sealed Bid-Running Track Resurfacing". Bids will be accepted until 1:00 p.m. on Friday, February 1, 2008. All bids will be reviewed at the next regular or special called board meeting after the closing bid date.

To request additional information or to schedule a site visit, you may contact Michael Wagers or John Maxey at (606) 743-8002.

The Morgan County Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

C-1-24-2t (Pub. Jan. 24, 31)

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR MINOR

Notice is hereby given on this 22 day of January 2008 that Verinda Rose Helton has been appointed Guardian in Re: of Koncietta Kathleen Rose, a minor.

Verinda Rose Helton
2672 Hwy. 203
Hazel Green, Ky. 41332
C-1-31-1t

NOTICE OF SALE

Morgan County Water District will offer for sale at public auction the following items:

1997 Chevrolet S10, 2 wheel drive, red in color, vin#1GCCS1442VK169720

The sale will be conducted on February 4, 2008 at the Morgan County Water District Office. Sell time begins at 5:00 p.m.

This vehicle may be inspected by prospective purchasers between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. at the Morgan County Water District before date of sale.

This item will be sold as is and the terms will be cash. The seller reserves the right to bid or reject any and all bids.

Cynthia Montgomery
Office Manager
C-1-24-2t (Pub. Jan. 24, 31)

SEALED BID FOR RUNNING TRACK RESURFACING MORGAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

The Morgan County Board of Education will be accepting sealed bids for the application of a seal coat and striping of the running track at Morgan County High School.

The scope of this project will consist of applying a seal coat designed for running tracks and striping over an asphalt surface. The project's completion date is March 2008.

Bids need to be placed in a sealed envelope and labeled "Sealed Bid-Running Track Seal Coat/Striping". Bids will be accepted until 1:00 p.m. on Friday, February 1, 2008. All bids will be reviewed at the next regular or special called board meeting after the closing bid date.

To request additional information or to schedule a site visit, you may contact Michael Wagers or John Maxey at (606) 743-8002.

The Morgan County Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

C-1-24-2t (Pub. Jan. 24, 31)

SEALED BID FOR RUNNING TRACK RESURFACING MORGAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

The Morgan County Board of Education will be accepting sealed bids for the application of the black rubberized surface and striping of the running track at Morgan County High School.

The scope of this project will consist of applying a black rubberized surface designed for running tracks and striping over an asphalt surface. The project's completion date is March 2008.

Bids need to be placed in a sealed envelope and labeled "Sealed Bid-Running Track Rubberizing Surface Striping". Bids will be accepted until 1:00 p.m. on Friday, February 1, 2008. All bids will be reviewed at the next regular or special called board meeting after the closing bid date.

To request additional information or to schedule a site visit, you may contact Michael Wagers or John Maxey at (606) 743-8002.

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THESE PRAYERS WE OFFER

Dear God where there is darkness we pray there will be light. Where ever there's justice, may justice be in sight. Where there is great oppression, may freedom soon be near. We pray for understanding and to the end of fear where there is utter hopelessness may hope be born anew. May we show more compassion as you would have us do. Where there is strife and hatred may there be peace and love. These prayers we humbly offer to you.

(Submitted by Alpha Clevenger)

Can you go it alone for three days?

The first 72 hours after an earthquake are critical. Many public utilities may not be working. Also, many of the first response agencies that we depend on may be busy with serious emergencies, or may even be affected themselves. Kentuckians should be prepared to survive for at least three days without running water, electricity, gas and telephones following an earthquake. Here are some things to include in a disaster list for your home or business.

- Food. Ready-to-eat, non-perishable food items.
- Water. One gallon a day per person (replace stock every 6 months to insure freshness).
- First aid kit. Includes bandages, disinfectants and non-prescription drugs.
- Flashlights with extra batteries.
- Portable radio with extra batteries.
- Extra blankets, clothes, shoes and money.
- Alternate cooking sources
- Special items. Prescribed medications, baby formula, pet food, oxygen
- Tools. Gas shut off wrench, non-electric can opener, matches.

Before an Earthquake

- Prepare an emergency kit using the items listed in the brochure. Go to www.redcross.org

For a more detailed list for your kit.

- Know the safe spots in every room of your home or business--under sturdy furniture or against interior walls.
- Know the danger spots!--near windows, mirrors, hanging objects, fireplaces and tall unsecured furniture.
- Conduct practice drills with your family and employees to confirm safe spots in the home/business.
- Prepare a plan and communicate where your family will reunite if separated during the earthquake.
- Choose an out-of-state friend or relative who family members can call to report their whereabouts and conditions.
- Learn first aid and CPR.
- Learn how to shut off gas, water and electricity.
- Check chimneys, roofs, walls and foundations for stability. Make sure your home/business is bolted to its foundation.
- Secure your water heater and major appliances, as well as tall, heavy furniture, mirrors, and picture frames.
- Organize your neighborhood to be self-sufficient after a quake by joining an organized group. Find out more by contacting local Emergency Management.

During an Earthquake

- If indoors, stay there. Get under a desk or table, or stand in a corner.
- If outdoors, get into an open area away from trees, buildings, walls and power lines.
- If driving, pull over and stop. Avoid overpasses and powerlines. Stay inside your car until the shaking is over.
- If inside, do not rush outside. Crouch and cover your head and neck with your hands and arms.

After an Earthquake

- If there is damage to utility lines, turn the utility off and report to the proper utility company. Warn others to stay away.
- Check your building for cracks and damage.
- Turn on your portable radio to hear instructions and news reports. For your own safety, cooperate fully with public safety officials and follow instructions.
- Do not use your vehicle unless there is an emergency. Keep the streets clear for emergency vehicles.

SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

Monday, Feb. 4--Roast turkey, sweet potatoes, brown gravy, broccoli, vanilla pudding, milk.

Tuesday, Feb. 5--Ham, pinto beans, seasoned greens, corn bread, pineapple delight, milk.

Wednesday, Feb. 6--Beef stew, confetti cole slaw, oat bran muffin, peaches w/vanilla pudding, milk.

Thursday, Feb. 7--Meatballs w/spaghetti, tossed salad w/dressing, wheat roll, apricot halves, milk.



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19 YEAR OLD OPSIE EVANS 'SERVED UP' MORGAN COUNTY CUISINE TO THE FIRST LADY IN 1937

Ova Haney, Superintendent of Schools, Organizes the County and City For a Visit From The First Lady; Mrs. Roosevelt Leaves the Hotel to Dedicate the School

LAST OF TWO PARTS

By W. Lynn Nickell
Today, 91 year old Opsie Evans Nickell lives in Malone with her son, Zane. In 1937, Opsie Evans, then 19, was working at the Cole Hotel as a cook along with Madge Sloas, Gypsie Griffiths, and Ada Cochran, sister to Mrs. Jack Cole, who owned the hotel. Gypsie waited on tables as Opsie handed her the food. On May 24, 1937, Opsie had an opportunity to help serve a luncheon for America's First Lady, Eleanor Roosevelt, on one of Morgan County's most memorable historic events.

After the reception and inspection of the new school, Mrs. Roosevelt had lunch at the Cole Hotel. Gypsie waited on Mrs. Roosevelt in the Sun Parlor, a room for special parties and dignitaries. Margaret Stacy and Gertrude Nickell are the only two that Opsie knew who were eating at the table with Mrs. Roosevelt. (They were both on the reception committee.) Opsie said, "They were both dressed beautifully and Mrs. Roosevelt had on a rather plain blue suit, with a corsage and hat. During the meal, Opsie would bring bowls of mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes, different kinds of beans, corn bread, sliced turkey and country ham from the kitchen and hand them to Gypsie to serve. It was a meal, I am sure, the First Lady would long remember. The Cole Hotel was famous for it's meals throughout Eastern Kentucky. Once in a great while, my Dad would take our family to the Hotel for a Sunday dinner. All the guests would sit around a large table and food was placed on the table in bowls and platters. It was a forerunner of a buffet, as you could eat all you wanted for 50 cents!

Opsie remembered that they weren't allowed to have their picture taken with Mrs. Roosevelt. In fact, no one was allowed to take a picture of her except government photographers traveling with her. I have often wondered why there weren't more photos taken of Mrs. Roosevelt that day and that seems to explain why. You would think that out of all those people there, someone would have snapped a few photos. Claude Wells took the only picture that I have seen of the



Claude Wells photo taken May 24, 1937, showing the crowd waiting to get into the new high school building for the dedicatory ceremony. Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt dedicated the WPA-built structure. To the right is the Matthew T. Scott, Jr. Collegiate Institute.

occasion other than the government photos. His classic photo was from a bluff opposite the school. Claude must have "sneaked" in a camera unnoticed even though there were two state highway patrolmen traveling with her.

According to Opsie and the Licking Valley Courier, the crowds were huge. When Mrs. Roosevelt was in the hotel, people were all around the hotel, on the courthouse lawn and on the street.

As Mrs. Roosevelt left the hotel for the school dedication, the employees lined up to meet her. She was very cordial but they didn't get to shake hands with her.

Superintendent Haney made a last appeal to finalize arrangements for the arrival of Eleanor Roosevelt. A request was made for everyone to conserve water due to usage by such a large crowd. Only about two thousand people would be able to attend the program inside the building, and a limited number of reservations would be made for, "School officialdom, WPA officialdom, and NYA officialdom." Those anxious to see the First Lady would have to be at the door when it was opened! A request was also made by the superintendent not to charge for parking as, "We would want our guests to come again." Anyone that had a vacant lot in town was requested to contact Judge C. P. Henry, chairman of the traffic commit-

tee. Mr. Henry had been requested to meet with a state highway patrolman sergeant at the Childers Hotel Sunday, May 23, at 4 p.m.

On May 20th an announcement was made that Congressman Fred M. Vinson and Senator Alben W. Barkley would be on the program. (Vinson, a Louisa native, later became the Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court and Barkley, a Graves County native, was later elected Vice-President of the United States.) Seating arrangements were made and five officials would be in charge of the event. They would direct the pages, ushers, and guides and see that order was carried out. When the balcony became full it was to be roped off and the same for the auditorium floor. Ushers selected were as follows: Helen Jean Cox, Helen Stacy, Ethel Marie Elam, Virginia Nickell, Marguerite Nickell, Ivis Whitt, Sally Perlrey, Ella Ruth Childers, Viva Bowles, Martha Fannin, Beulah Caskey, Lucille Nickell, Helen Price, and Dixie Caudill. Ethel Elam Phillips recalled, "We wore navy blue pants and white shirts and after our duties as ushers were completed we were seated in the bleachers close to the stage along with the pages. The First Lady looked nice but I did notice she had a "runner" in her stocking!" Lockwood Elam and Carl Elam had been selected to see that all chairs are kept in order and all aisles kept free of chairs. To my knowledge, there is no list of those who served as pages, but my brother, Merle, was one of them.

That evening of the 24th a "Dedication Ball" was held in the gymnasium in honor of Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt. The Ball committee was made up of J. Blaine Nickell, Mrs. James Perry, and Dr. Hershell B. Murray. Songs on the dance card were, *Boo Hoo, Mason St. Blues, Sweet Leilani, The Waltz You Saved For Me, You're Too Marvelous For Words, and Blue Hawaii*.

In the next week's paper, thanks were published to the Reception Committee. They were:



Opsie Evans in 1937

Mrs. C. K. Stacy, Mrs. G. W. Leslie, Mrs. Ova O. Haney, Mrs. J. Blaine Nickell, Mrs. Luther Blair, Miss Josephine McGuire, Mrs. J. D. Whiteaker, Mrs. J. C. Arnett, Mrs. D. R. Keeton, Mrs. T. H. Caskey, Mrs. H. B. Muncy, Miss Maureen McClure, and Mrs. Zola Haney. Numerous arrangements were being made up until the time of Mrs. Roosevelt's arrival.

May 24th, 1937, was a big day for West Liberty and Morgan County. That was the day Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, wife of the President, came to dedicate the new Works Progress Administration school building in West Liberty and it was a huge success. Very few, if any, small towns could have handled the occasion.

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It was a tribute to the people of Morgan County and Ova O. Haney. Estimated crowd for the event was 12,000 people, according to the local paper. This number was probably inflated somewhat, according to those that remembered it well. Rumor was that the local restaurants wouldn't be able to feed all the people arriving for the dedication. S. E. Craft (now 87) said he and Earl Price decided to take advantage of the situation by making about 2,000 sandwiches to sell. They set up a stand in front of the Billy Reed house (where Smith's Chiropractic offices is today) with ham, pimento, and boloney sandwiches to sell for 25 cents each. S. E. lamented, "We only sold about a dozen sandwiches and would up letting people have all they wanted to get rid of them. He speculated that due to bad roads in the county in May, few automobiles, and the event being in the middle of the week had something to do with the crowd being less than expected.

Today the building stands proud. It is a symbol of what people can do by working together. What makes it so unique is that it was built by local people and local material. It houses the County Offices, Wellness Center, Red Cross offices and Convention Center and with recent modernization is in better shape than when it was constructed.

Opsie was born in Clay County and named for her aunt. Her father, Logan Evans, brought his wife, Mary, and children, Ernest, Evert, Clayton, Walter, Olive and Opsie, to Morgan County in 1921. After working at the Cole Hotel, she worked at the Ben Franklin 5 & 10 Cent Store for Lena Blair during the war, (WW II) and later at Emrick's Bus Station and Restaurant. Opsie married Ecton Nickell while he was serving in the Army during World War II. They have one child, Zane.

Opsie Evans Nickell was a part of one of the most memorable days in the history of Morgan County. Few people have ever been able to cook a meal for the First Lady of the land. Eleanor Roosevelt, as wife of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, was not only First Lady but renowned as one of the most recognizable persons in the world. How many people have cooked a meal for the most recognizable person in the world? Opsie has!!! Acknowledgements; Opsie Evans; Mary K. Cox; Ethel Marie Phillips; and The Morgan County Phoenix, A History of W.P.A. Schools in Morgan County by Nickell.

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CIRCUIT COURT

New civil cases – Allen Charles #120999 vs. Department of Corrections et al, Jan. 18; Charlene McCarty vs. Christina Ross et al, Jan. 18; Lorelei Keeton Johnson vs. Claude Johnson, Jan. 22; Ira Satterwhite #168868 vs. Georgia Satterwhite, Jan. 22; Davon Benderman #123457 vs. Irene Benderman, Jan. 23; Beneficial Kentucky Inc. vs. Randy Cantrell, Jan. 24.

DISTRICT COURT

New civil cases – Chetwin Adams vs. Ashley L. Kelly, Jan. 18; Vickie J. Howard vs. Randy M. Howard, Jan. 18; Arrow Financial Services vs. Jon L. Clarrochi, Jan. 22; Woodrow Pete Adkins vs. Chris Williams, Jan. 23; GE Money Bank vs. Patty Hutchinson, Jan. 24. New small claims cases – Fannin's 519 Food Mart vs. Charles Bell, Jan. 24; Fannin's 519 Food Mart vs. Pam Hager et al, Jan. 24; Fannin's 519 Food Mart vs. Roger Harding, Jan. 24; Fannin's 519 Food Mart vs. Kim Law, Jan. 24; Fannin's 519 Food Mart vs. Angie Stacy, Jan. 24; Fannin's 519 Food Mart vs. Bishop Benton, Jan. 24.

ARRAIGNMENTS

Jonathan D. Adkins – assault (fourth degree domestic violence; minor injury) – order entered. Lisa Burton – disorderly conduct (second degree) – pre-trial conference Feb. 12. Jason E. Caskey – failure to produce insurance card – pled guilty, \$500. Jesse K. Collins – failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security – failed to appear, bench warrant issued. Ray M. Ferguson – failure to produce insurance card – rescheduled Feb. 12. James R. Gullett – speeding 26 mph over limit – order entered. John E. Hall – failure to or improper signal, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, excessive window tinting (two counts; windshield) – rescheduled Jan. 29. Joshua P. Honaker – operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs – pled guilty, \$200, loss of license for 90 days. Kimberly S. Johnson – speeding 15 mph over limit – rescheduled Jan. 29. Richard K. Lawson – speeding 15 mph over limit. Andrew M. Lewis – disregarding stop sign – referred to state traffic school. Vanessa L. Peyton – speeding 20 mph over limit – order entered. Michael D. Ratliff – failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, failure to notify address change to department of transportation – failed to appear, bench warrant issued. Patricia Trusty – possession of marijuana – pre-trial conference March 11. Patricia Trusty – operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs – pre-trial conference March 11. Joshua C. Williams – failure to surrender revoked operator's license, no operator's/moped license, no/expired registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, one headlight, failure to wear seatbelts – failed to appear, bench warrant issued. Cassie Chaney – theft by deception including cold checks under \$300 (three counts) – pre-trial conference Feb. 5. Preliminary hearing – Kevin Brown – theft by unlawful taking (parts from a vehicle) – rescheduled Jan. 29. Pre-trial conference – David W. Fortner – violation of Kentucky EPO/DVO – rescheduled Jan. 29. Joseph S. Helton – flagrant non-support – preliminary hearing Jan. 29.

Preliminary hearing – Denzil Lewis – flagrant non-support – rescheduled Jan. 29. Pre-trial conference – Randy L. Williams – possession of a controlled substance/drug (first offense; drug unspecified); possession of a controlled substance (third degree, first offense; drug unspecified) – pled guilty, 90 days. Pre-trial conference – Randy L. Williams – operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs – pled guilty, \$200, loss of license for 90 days. Victor S. Elam – alcohol intoxication in a public place, resisting arrest – pled guilty, 356 days; fleeing or evading police (second degree; on foot) – pled guilty, 365 days. Toby Hunley – flagrant non-support – preliminary hearing Jan. 29. Toby Hunley – assault (fourth degree, two counts; minor injury) – pre-trial conference Jan. 29. Christopher Rhodes – operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs (third offense) – \$500, loss of license for 24 months. James Melvin Lewis – disorderly conduct – pled guilty, five days with conditional discharge. Pre-trial conference – Carolyn B. Creech – theft by deception including cold checks under \$300 – pled guilty, \$25. Pre-trial conference – Rachel Fyffe – theft by failure to make required disposition of property under \$300 – rescheduled Feb. 5. Pre-trial conference – Jason Gavlinks – terroristic threatening (third degree) – order entered. Pre-trial conference – Tamela S. Lewis – speeding 16 mph over limit, failure to produce insurance card – rescheduled Feb. 5. Pre-trial conference – Norvin Maberry – failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security – rescheduled Feb. 5. Pre-trial conference – Matthew Perry – criminal mischief (second degree) – jury trial March 5. Pre-trial conference – Terry Perry – operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs, wanton endangerment – pled guilty. Pre-trial conference – John O. Prater – terroristic threatening (third degree) – rescheduled Feb. 5. PROPERTY TRANSFERS Kathleen Perkins to Mary Hoskins, located on Wilson Prater Road, no monetary consideration. Paul Pennington and Dena Joyce to Kristen N. Pennington, located on Hwy. 1260, \$1 plus love and affection. Ulene Burrows to Ricky L. Leach and Donetta J. Leach, located on McClannahan Br., \$1 plus love and affection. MARRIAGE LICENSES Randy Williams, Morgan County Court Clerk, has issued the following marriage license. Nancy Lynn Pelfrey, 31, of West Liberty, daughter of Sandra Gibson Pelfrey and Farrell Pelfrey, to Densil Wayne Wheeler, 42, of West Liberty, son of Christine Ross Wheeler and Lloyd Wheeler.

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E. Ky. legislators file bill to provide funds for UNITE

FRANKFORT — Four E.Ky. legislators have filed a bill in Frankfort to provide state funding for Operation UNITE, the successful federally-funded anti-drug program founded by Congressman Hal Rogers. In a sign of how important the program is deemed by local officials, Senators Robert Stivers (R-Manchester), Walter Blevins (D-Sandy Hook), Tom Jensen (R-London), and Ray Jones (D-Pikeville) have introduced a bill that would reallocate \$450,000 from the multi-county coal severance funding to UNITE for operating expenses. If approved, the state funds would replace federal cutbacks in funding for UNITE resulting from a rollback in Congressional earmarks initiated by the Democrat majority in Congress.

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The Judge's Corner

By Tim Conley
Judge Executive



Hello from Judge Conley & Staff.

What is a Community and Wellness Center and how does it help the citizens of Morgan County? If you have not been to the newly-remodeled Wellness Center, then you are missing a great opportunity. The Community Center gym is open from 8:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. Monday-Friday (with no admission fee). It's a great place for adults and/or teenagers to spend time getting exercise.

The Wellness Room is open from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. Monday-Friday with a small fee of \$2.00 per visit or \$24.00 per month with unlimited visits.

We have recently added four big screen TVs with Wii games, such as bowling, tennis, baseball, guitar hero, and rock band. Also, we will be extending the Friday and Saturday night hours until 11:00 p.m. Please contact the Wellness Center at (606) 743-4995 for more information about the hours or any info that you might need.

With the cooperation of the Community Center Board we have been able to have basketball, volleyball, parties, concerts, quilt shows, fish fries, fund raisers, etc. The Community Center gym is providing lots of activities and we want you, the citizens of Morgan County, to be a part of it. Come out and take a tour of your Community Center and give me any suggestions on how we can make it better for you.

You may contact me at 606-743-3897, email: mcmfc.tc@gmail.com or write to me at 450 Prestonsburg Street, West Liberty, Ky. 41472.

Have a nice day and remember that a little smile will brighten your day and the day of whom-ever you meet.

Noon Monday deadline for news, advertising

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DO YOU HAVE AN OPINION?

The Licking Valley Courier welcomes your comments about current events in the form of letters to the editor. Letters must be signed and include the writer's phone number for verification.

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Obituary

Common sense, born a long time ago. Today we mourn the passing of a beloved old friend, Common Sense, who has been with us for many years. No one knows for sure how old he was since his birth records were lost long ago in bureaucratic red tape.

He will be remembered as having cultivated such valuable lessons as knowing when to come in out of the rain, why the early bird gets the worm, life isn't always fair, and maybe it was my fault.

Common Sense lived by simple, sound financial policies (don't spend more than you earn), and reliable parenting strategies (adults, not children, are in charge).

His health began to deteriorate rapidly when well-intentioned but overbearing regulations were set in place. Reports of a 6-year-old charged with sexual harassment for kissing a classmate, teens suspended from school for using mouthwash after lunch, and a teacher fired for reprimanding an unruly student only worsened the condition.

Common Sense lost ground when parents attacked teachers for doing the job they themselves failed to do in disciplining their unruly children. It declined even further when schools were required to get parental consent to administer aspirin, sun lotion or sticky plaster to a student, but could not inform the parents when a student became pregnant and wanted an abortion.

Common Sense lost the will to live as the Ten Commandments became contraband, churches became businesses, and criminals received better treatment than their victims. He also took a beating when you could not defend yourself from a burglar in your home and the burglar can sue you for assault.

Common Sense finally gave up the will to live after a woman failed to realize that a steaming cup of coffee was hot. She spilled a little in her lap, and was promptly awarded a huge settlement.

Common Sense was preceded in death by his parents, Truth and Trust; his wife, Discretion; his daughter, Responsibility; and his son, Reason. He is survived by three step-brothers, I Know My Rights, Someone Else Is To Blame, and I'm A Victim.

Not many attended his funeral because so few realized he was gone. If you still remember him pass this on. If not, join the majority and do nothing.

Author Unknown
Submitted by
Kay Newhouse
(A Tribute To
Richard Stamper)

PRUDENCE

Considered to be one of the Cardinal Virtues, it is often associated with Wisdom, Insight, and Knowledge and is the ability to judge between virtuous and vicious actions, not only in a general sense, but with regard to appropriate actions at a given time and place. Distinguishing when acts are courageous, as opposed to reckless or cowardly, is an act of prudence. This is why it is classified as a "cardinal" virtue.



Sen. Robert Stivers

Sen. Stivers files for re-election

Senator Robert Stivers announced last week that he had registered for re-election for the 25 District, which includes Morgan, Magoffin, Knox, Owsley Clay, Lee, and Wolfe Counties.

During his time serving this district Stivers has championed issues such as affordable health care and autistic children, the Abandoned Baby Bill to protect newborns, enhanced benefits for police and firemen and long fought against illegal drugs and their proliferation, and improved access to clean water and safer roads in our communities.

"We've had successes for the hard working families of my district but more work needs to be done," said Sen. Stivers, I am proud to be able to contribute to this community.

"Sen. Stivers is one of the senior members of the Kentucky State Senate and has served with distinction as chairman of one of the most important committees in the Legislature. His knowledge of the law is recognized in Kentucky and throughout the country through his service on national committees," said David Williams. "I am delighted that he has chosen to serve another term."

Blevins files for re-election

FRANKFORT - Senator Walter Blevins, D-Sandy Hook, citing a strong record that includes significant progress in roads, education, corrections, energy, mine safety and water and sewer infrastructure, has filed for re-election.

Blevins, who represents Boyd, Elliott, Fleming, Lawrence and Rowan counties, has served in the Senate since 1992. He was a member of the House of Representatives from 1982-1992. Blevins, a West Liberty native, has represented over 20 counties during his legislative career.

In the 2008 legislative session, Blevins plans to focus on ensuring that teachers and classified employees receive adequate salaries and that their health and pension benefits are protected.

Blevins currently serves on the Education, State and Local Government, Transportation, Medicaid Oversight and Advisory legislative committees. He also serves on the Energy Special Subcommittee and the Long-term Policy Committee.

Blevins, 57, is a dentist in West Liberty. He is a graduate of Morehead State University and the University of Kentucky College of Dentistry and served his country as a Captain in the U.S. Army.

DIDN'T HAVE TIME

The great dividing line between success and failure can be stated in five words: I DID NOT HAVE TIME. —Henry Davenport

Groundhog Day's traditional weather lore has European roots

Saturday is Groundhog Day. A tradition in the United States on February 2, it is also a legend that traverses centuries, its origins clouded in the mists of time, a myth that ties our present to the distant past when nature did, indeed, influence our lives. It is the day that the Groundhog comes out of his hole after a long winter sleep to look for his shadow and the advent of spring.

If he sees it, he regards it as an omen of six more weeks of bad weather and returns to his hole.

If the day is cloudy and, hence, shadowless, he takes it as a sign of spring and stays above ground.

The groundhog tradition stems from similar beliefs associated with Candlemas Day and the days of early Christians in Europe, and for centuries the custom was to have the clergy bless candles and distribute them to the people. Even then, it marked a milestone in the winter and the weather that day was important.

According to an old English song:

If Candlemas be fair and bright,

Come, Winter, have another flight;

If Candlemas brings clouds and rain,

Go Winter, and come not again.

According to an old Scotch couplet:

If Candlemas Day is bright and clear,

There'll be twa (two) winters in the year.



Groundhogs are used to predict winter weather every Groundhog Day on Feb. 2.

Another variation of the Scottish rhyme:

If Candlemas day be dry and fair,

The half o' winter to come and mair,

If Candlemas day be wet and foul,

The half of winter's gone at Yule.

The Roman legions, during the conquest of the northern European tribes, supposedly brought this tradition to the Teutons, or Germans, who picked it up and concluded that if the sun made an appearance on Candlemas Day, an animal, the hedgehog, would cast a shadow, thus predicting six more weeks of bad weather, which they interpolated as the length of the "Second Winter."

Pennsylvania's earliest settlers were Germans and they found groundhogs to be in profusion in many parts of the state. They determined that the groundhog, resembling the European hedgehog, was a most intelligent and sensible animal and therefore

decided that if the sun did appear on Feb. 2, so wise an animal as the groundhog would see its shadow and hurry back into its underground home for another six weeks of winter.

The Germans recited:

For as the sun shines on Candlemas Day,

So far will the snow swirl until the May.

This passage may be the one most closely represented by the first Punxsutawney Groundhog Day observances because there were references to the length of shadows in early Groundhog Day predictions.

Another Feb. 2 belief, used by American 19th century farmers, was:

Groundhog Day - Half your hay.

New England farmers knew that we were not close to the end of winter, no matter how cloudy Feb. 2 was. Indeed, Feb. 2 is often the heart of winter. If the farmer didn't have half his hay remaining, there may have been lean times for the cows before spring and fresh grass arrived.

The ancient Candlemas legend and similar beliefs continue to be recognized annually on Feb. 2. It was the favorite holiday of the late Harry Coffee, who for many years contributed interesting stories and commentaries for publication in The Courier, and who never failed to comment on its arrival.

(Adapted from "Groundhog Day: 1886 to 1992" by Bill Anderson; information is from www.groundhogday.org.)

Morgan Countians support organ and tissue donation

Licensed drivers in Morgan County once again showed their support of organ donation by being above average in donating an extra dollar to the Kentucky Circuit Court Clerks Trust For Life when renewing their driver's licenses in 2007.

Many Morgan County residents also placed their names on the new Kentucky Organ Donor Registry at the same time.

According to the Trust For Life, Morgan Circuit Clerk Donna Pelfrey's office collected the donated \$1 from 69.1 percent of those obtaining their driver's licenses last year. The average number of drivers who donated \$1 when they got their new or renewed license in Kentucky's 120 counties was 41.6 percent. And, since May 15, when it was added to the driver's license process, 407 county residents have placed their names on the donor registry.

"Donna Pelfrey and her staff should be very proud of their efforts in collecting the \$1 donations and in adding names to the donor registry," said Trust President Doug Hall, who is also the Floyd Circuit Clerk.

The Trust For Life was created by the Kentucky Circuit Court Clerks Association and the state legislature in 1992 to collect the \$1 at the driver's license

counters to fund a year-round education and promotion effort to encourage all Kentuckians to be organ and tissue donors so that others might live. They were also very instrumental in establishing the new Kentucky Organ Donor Registry.

Currently more than 770 Kentuckians are on waiting lists for lifesaving organ transplants and many more need life-enhancing procedures requiring donated tissue like corneas, heart valves and veins. Many of these patients will die waiting.

Any Kentucky resident with a valid state driver's license or state ID can now make their wishes to be a donor known by registering on Kentucky's new Organ Donor Registry when they go to the Circuit Clerks' offices

to renew. Or they can access the registry by visiting www.DonateLifeKY.org. The registration process is quick, easy and secure. The clerks and the Trust encourage everyone to tell their families of their decision.

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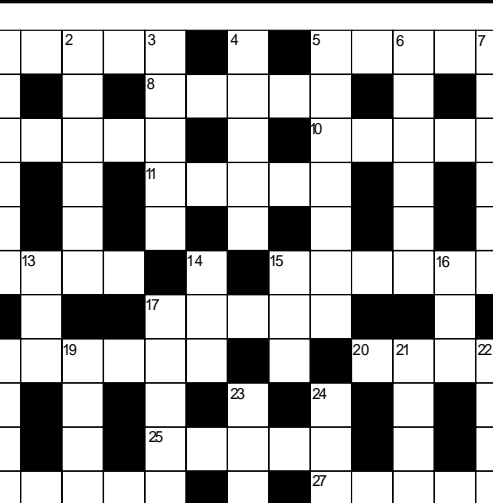
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ABC 6	News	ABC	Enter-	Jim	Grey's Anatomy		Housewives		20/20		News	Night-
PBS 7	Math	Busi-	News-Lehrer	Com-	Group		Wash	NOW	Bill Moyers		Assem-	News
NBC 8	News	NBC	Inside	Extra	1 vs. 100		Friday Night Lights		Las Vegas		News	Tonight
WGN 9	Funnies	Funnies	Home Videos		**1/2 Phoenix (1998)				WGN News		Scrubs	Scrubs
FOX 11	Two	Fam	Simp-	Two	Bones		House		News		Friends	Seinfeld
CBS 12	News	CBS	Legends	King	Ghost Whisperer		Moonlight		NUMB3RS		News	Sports
TBS 13	Friends	Ray-	Ray-	Ray-	Ray-	Ray-	*** Spanglish (2004)				Sex &	
ENC 14	**1/2 Hudson Hawk (1991)				** Little Man (2006)		Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest					
FAM 15	8 Rules	8 Rules	Ground-	Ground-	** Down Periscope (1996)		America's		The 700 Club			
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SHOW 19	Madea's Family Reunion				** Employee of the Month (2006)		The L Word		Boxing			
DISN 20	Suite	Suite	Suite	Suite	***1/2 The Incredibles (2004)		Pinneas	Life	Suite	Mon-		
MAX 21	Grandma's Boy				*** Blood Diamond (2006)		***1/2 The Departed (2006)					
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ENC 14	**1/2 Uncle Buck (1999)				** Under Siege 2 (1995)		Big Trouble in Little China		Blade			
FAM 15	** Down Periscope (1986)				Nutty Professor II: The Klumps		Nutty Professor II: The Klumps					
LIFE 16	My Daughter	**1/2 Queen Sized (2008)			Girl's Best Friend (2008)				Grey's Anatomy			
A&E 17	The Hard With a Vengeance				*** Matchstick Men (2003)			Parking	Flip This House			
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MAX 21	** Trading Places (1983)				X-Men: The Last Stand				The Astronaut Farmer			
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AMC 24	** The In-Laws (2003)				** Father of the Bride (1991)		Father of the Bride Part II					
USA 25	Psych		Monk		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		House	
DSC 26	Behind The Great Wall				Dog Show: AKC/Eukanuba National Championship 2008		Smash Lab					
ESPN 27	SportsCenter Special				College GameDay		College Basketball: Arizona at UCLA		SportsCenter			
TNT 32	** Stealth (2005)	Conf'd			**1/2 Two for the Money (2005)		**1/2 Two for the Money (2005)					
SCI 33	Inferno	Disaster Zone: Volcano in New York			Scorcher (2002)				Meltdown			

TUESDAY EVENING February 5												
	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
NBC 3	News	NBC	Fortune	Jeo-	The Biggest Loser: Couples		Super Tuesday		News		News	Tonight
CBS 4	News	CBS	Fortune	Jeo-	NCIS		Super Tuesday		Super Tuesday		News	Late
ABC 6	News	ABC	Enter-	Jim	Super Tuesday -- Showdown: Coast to Coast				News		News	Tuesday
PBS 7	GED	Busi-	News-Lehrer		Nova		Kentucky Muse		Globe Trekker		Assem-	News
NBC 8	News	NBC	Inside	Extra	The Biggest Loser: Couples		Super Tuesday		News		News	Tonight
WGN 9	Funnies	Funnies	Home Videos		Funnies	Funnies	Funnies	Funnies	WGN News		Scrubs	Scrubs
FOX 11	Two	Fam	Simp-	Two	American Idol		House		WGN News		Friends	Seinfeld
CBS 12	News	CBS	Lawyers	King	NCIS		The Unit		Super Tuesday		News	Late
TBS 13	Friends	Ray-	Ray-	Ray-	Fam	Fam	Fam	Fam	Office	Office	10 Items	Sex &
ENC 14	** Stick It (2006)				*** Find Me Guilty (2006)		*** Enter the Dragon (1973)		News		News	Tonight
FAM 15	8 Rules	8 Rules	Ground-	Ground-	Home Videos		Home Videos		Home Videos		The 700 Club	
LIFE 16	Reba	Reba	Still	Still	Reba	Reba			The Interrogation of Michael Crowe		Will	Will
A&E 17	Cold Case Files	CSI: Miami			The First 48		The First 48		Parking	Parking	Parking	Parking
SHOW 19	The Zodiac	** Failure to Launch (2006)			The L Word				Puccini for Beginners		Em-	
DISN 20	Mon-	Mon-	Mon-	Suite	The Color of Friendship				Raven	Life	Suite	Mon-
MAX 21	Intimate	* The Return (2006)			*** A History of Violence (2005)		Beverly Hills Cop III		Kinky			
HBO 22	REAL Sports	Code Name: The Cleaner	V.	Treat-	Treat-		* Epic Movie (2007)		Norbit			
AMC 24	**1/2 The Karate Kid (1984)	Cont'd			*** Enter the Dragon				Red-			
USA 25	Law & Order: SVU	Law Order: CI			Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law Order: SVU		Law Order: CI	
DSC 26	Cash	Cash	Made	Made	Dirty Jobs		Dirty Jobs		Assembly Req.		MythBusters	
ESPN 27	SportsCenter	College Basketball			College Basketball		College Basketball		SportsCenter			
TNT 32	Law & Order	Law & Order			Law & Order		Bones		Cold Case			
SCI 33	Stargate SG-1	Scary	Scary		Scariest Places		Scariest Places		ECW		R.O.D. Read	

SUNDAY EVENING February 3												
	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
NBC 3	News	NBC	The Biggest Loser: Couples		The Biggest Loser: Couples				News		StarTrek	
CBS 4	News	Health-	CBS Reports		60 Minutes		Shark		Cold Case		News	Dan
ABC 6	ABC	News	Extreme-Home		Home Videos		**1/2 Meet the Fockers (2004)		News		Jim	
PBS 7	Work-	Garden	Keep	Summer	Time-	May	Masterpiece		Queen		America	Book-
NBC 8	News	NBC	The Biggest Loser: Couples		The Biggest Loser: Couples				News		Edition	
WGN 9	Home Videos	Funnies	Funnies	Idol Rewind		Home Videos		News	Replay		Scrubs	Corner
FOX 11	NFL Football: Super Bowl XLII -- Patriots vs. Giants						Post-		House		News	
CBS 12	WYMT	CBS	CBS Reports		60 Minutes		Shark		Cold Case		WYMT	Ky
TBS 13	Bridget Jones: The Edge of Reason				** The Wedding Planner (2001)				** Fools Rush In (1997)			
ENC 14	Cool	The Flintstones			The Benchwarmers		*** The Sixth Sense (1999)		Tales-			
FAM 15	*** The Parent Trap (1998)				*** The Parent Trap (1998)							
LIFE 16	Forever Love	Too Young to Be a Dad (2002)			Girl, Positive (2007)				Medium			
A&E 17	Cold Case Files	Cold Case Files			The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		CSI: Miami	
SHOW 19	The Mirror Has Two Faces				The Tudors		The L Word		The L Word		The L Word	
DISN 20	Suite	Suite	Mon-	Suite	Mon-	Wizards	The Princess Diaries 2: Royal Engagement		Mon-			
MAX 21	Devil	Because I Said So			The Astronaut Farmer		Final Destination 3		Coed			
HBO 22	Norbit	Treat-	Treat-	Treat-	Treat-	The Wire	Comedy	The Wire	Breach			
AMC 24	Death Wish 4: The Crackdown				Death Wish V: The Face of Death		Breaking Bad		Breaking Bad			
USA 25	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU			Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU	
DSC 26	MythBusters	MythBusters			MythBusters		MythBusters		MythBusters		MythBusters	
ESPN 27	Figure Skating	Figure Skating: European Championship			Sports- NFL		SportsCenter					
TNT 32	The Closer	The Closer			The Closer		The Closer					
SCI 33	Star Trek: Ent.	Star Trek: Ent.			Star Trek: Ent.		Star Trek: Ent.		Star Trek: Ent.		Star Trek: Ent.	

WEDNESDAY EVENING										February 6		
	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
NBC 3	News	NBC	Fortune	Jeo-	Deal or No Deal		Law Order: CI		Law & Order		News	Tonight
CBS 4	News	CBS	Fortune	Jeo-	College Basketball				CSI: NY		News	Late
ABC 6	News	ABC	Enter-	Jim	Wife Swap		Supernanny		Cashmere Mafia		News	Night-
PBS 7	GED	Busi-	News-Lehrer		Jubilee		African American Lives 2		Assem-		News	
NBC 8	News	NBC	Inside	Extra	Deal or No Deal		Law Order: CI		Law & Order		News	Tonight
WGN 9	Funnies	Funnies	Home Videos		Corner	Corner	Becker	Becker	WGN News		Scrubs	Scrubs
FOX 11	Two	Fam	Simp-	Two	American Idol		Moment-Truth		News		Friends	Seinfeld
CBS 12	News	CBS	Ken-	King	College Basketball				CSI: NY		News	Late
TBS 13	Friends	Ray-	Ray-	Ray-	Fam	Fam	Payne	Payne	Payne	Payne	Sex &	Sex &
ENC 14	Steel	Deuce Bigalow			*** Independence Day (1996)				Underworld: Evolution			
FAM 15	8 Rules	8 Rules	Ground-	Ground-	**½ Sky High (2005)				Home Videos		The 700 Club	
LIFE 16	Reba	Reba	Still	Still	Reba	Reba	While the Children Sleep (2007)		Will		Will	
A&E 17	Cold Case Files	CSI: Miami			CSI: Miami		CSI: Miami		CSI: Miami		CSI: Miami	
SHOW 19	The Mirror Has Two Faces				The L Word		** Get Rich or Die Tryin' (2005)		Pulp Fiction			
DISN 20	Wizards	Wizards	Mon-	Suite	Minutemen (2008)				Raven	Life	Suite	Mon-
MAX 21	*** Blood Diamond (2006)				The Devil Wears Prada				The Astronaut Farmer			
HBO 22	*** Breach (2007)				Baghdad Hosp.	Treat-	Treat-		Inside the NFL		Real Time	
AMC 24	*** Lionheart (1990)	Cont'd			** Sniper (1993)				*** Iron Eagle (1986)			
USA 25	Law Order: CI		Law Order: CI		Law & Order: SVU		NCIS		NCIS		Law Order: CI	
DSC 26	Cash	Cash	Made	Made	MythBusters		MythBusters		Smash Lab		MythBusters	
ESPN 27	SportsCenter		College Basketball				College Basketball				SportsCenter	
TNT 32	Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		*** Monster-in-Law (2005)				Cold Case	

Morgan County 4-H Teens leaders in action



Morgan County 4-H teens pictured at bottom are Photographer Rebecca Ball and Secretary Oliva Akers. At top are Dustin Rowland, Vice President Casey Cantrell, Treasurer Johnny Skaggs, President Lauren Burton, Reporter Faith Weddington, Recreational Leader Jake Rose and Kyle Preston.



Morgan County 4-H Teen Club members Lauren Burton, Rebecca Ball and Kyle Preston are pictured above getting dirty after helping at the monthly 4-H craft workshops.

The Morgan County 4-H Teen Club has been very busy over the past couple of months. The club has been assisting with the monthly 4-H craft classes that are offered at the Morgan County Extension Office, helping at the annual 4-H Reality Stores and 4-H Environmental Day Camps, assisting at the annual 4-H Demonstration Contest, and made Christmas ornaments for residents at Morgan County Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

The Morgan County teens do a lot of community service



Cierra Holliday, 1st place winner in Small Animal Science category.



Shelby Roe, 1st place winner in the Egg category.



Casey Cantrell, 4-H Teen Club Vice President, with Courtney Rowland, first place winner in Crafts category.



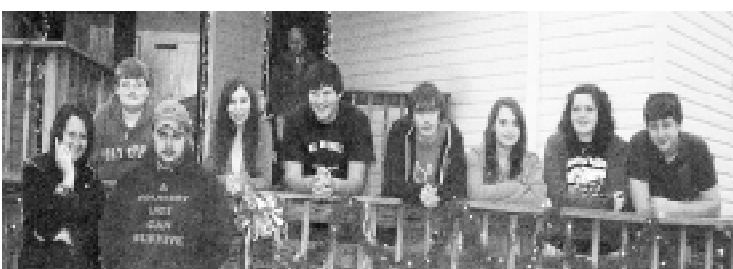
Savannah Jo Johnson, 1st place winner in Bread category.



Kim Cox, 4-H Youth Development Agent, with Marty Vest, 1st place winner in Home Environment category.



Becky Cox, 1st place winner of the General category.



Morgan County 4-H Teen Club members who visited the nursing home are pictured above (left to right): 4-H Agent Kim Cox, Kyle Preston, Johnny Skaggs, Lauren Burton, Casey Cantrell, Jake Rose, Faith Weddington, Olivia Akers and Dustin Rowland.

projects and help at community events, but they also like to have fun. The teens had an overnight retreat, and have also went to the movies and cosmic bowling. They are also planning at teen lock-in at the Morgan County Extension Office.

The Morgan County 4-H Teen Club has organized their officers for the 2008. The members and officers would like to encourage more teens to come out and be a part of the community with them. The officers for 2008 are President Lauren Burton, Vice Presi-

dent Casey Cantrell, Secretary Libby Akers, Treasurer Johnny Skaggs, Reporter Faith Weddington, Photographer Becca Ball and Recreational Leader Jake Rose. Other members include Dustin Rowland and Kyle Preston.

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Sanders enlists in U.S. Army under delayed entry prm.

Nathaniel D. Sanders has joined the United States Army under the Delayed Entry Program. The program gives young men and women the opportunity to delay entering active duty for up to one year.

The enlistment gives the new soldier the option to learn a new skill, travel and become eligible to receive as much as \$50,000 toward a college education. After completion of basic military training, soldiers receive advanced individual training in their career job specialty prior to being assigned to their first permanent duty station.

Sanders reported to Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C., this month for basic training.

He is the son of Sophia L. Sanders and Jerry D. Sanders, both of Peyton Ridge Road, West Liberty, Ky.

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Gardener's Toolbox classes scheduled to begin Feb. 7

A series of workshops introducing gardening basics and updates on various topics. Samples will also be provided to promote healthy living and nutritious eating.

Fill your toolbox with your choices - any or all. Participants who attend eight out of 12 workshops will receive a special gardener's gift at the conclusion.

All classes will held in the Morgan County Extension Service downstairs meeting room.

Feel free to bring your lunch and learn while you dine from 12-1 p.m.

Feb. 7 - *Tips for Great Gardens*. Learn the basics of garden success, from soil testing to insect control. Guaranteed to make your neighbors envious!

Feb. 21 - *Herbs*. From dill to sage, discover growing tips and sample the fresh goodness of herbs.

March 6 - *Grafting Fruit Trees*. Local grafters will show you how to start new apple trees through this time honored tradition. You will love the results. All supplies provided.

March 20 - *Strawberry Production*. Yum! Find out how to plant, grow and harvest this wonderful favorite.

March 27 - *Gardening for Birds & Butterflies*. Discover plants and other tactics attract these beautiful beings to add to your gardening joy.

A THOUGHT

Be the change you want to see in people:

Poem
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All out of tune,
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Lock up your flat,
And get out and get under the moon!
- Submitted by Carol Adkins

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April 3 - *Heirloom Seed Saving*. It is important to think about seed saving at the beginning of the season, rather than the end. Learn how to successfully keep this art alive!

April 17 - *Basics of Landscape Design*. This often confusing topic will be broken down to help you understand the design, installation and maintenance steps key to creating the setting of your dreams.

May 1 - *Organic Gardening*. Master gardeners will discuss various approaches to organic gardening and how you can take steps to improve the quality of your food supply.

May 15 - *All About Tomatoes*. From planting and pruning to disease management and harvest, this how-to class is a must for growing this garden favorite.

July 31 - *Preserving Your Garden Goodness*. Learn about the various methods of preserving your harvest. Canning, freezing and drying tips will be demonstrated.

Aug. 7 and 21 - Topics to be announced.

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Williams Creek-Elkfork Community Church, Rt. 3, West Liberty, KY 41472, phone 522-4111 or 522-4591, Rev. Herbert Wright, pastor. Sunday radio service 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 7:00 pm. Wednesday prayer service 7:00 pm.

Brushy Fork Church, Caney, Ky. Services fourth Saturday at 1:00 pm and fourth Sunday at 10:00 am each month. Hobert Dunn, pastor.

West Liberty Church Of God, 568 Glenn Ave., West Liberty, KY 41472, phone 743-4161. Gary Fields, pastor. Parsonage: 743-2632. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday night 6:00 pm. Wednesday evening 7:00 pm Bible study for all age groups.

Hazel Green Christian Church, P.O. Box 66, Hazel Green, KY 41332. Bro. Lowell Fields, pastor. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am.

Catholic Church of the Good Shepherd, 525 Main St., Campton, KY, Phone 668-3731. Sunday Mass 11:30 am; Wednesday evening 5:30 pm.

Faith Baptist Church, Caney, KY 41402, phone 743-4966, parsonage phone 768-2415. Bro. Mick Harden, pastor. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday disciples group training service 5:00 pm. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Wednesday night mission friends, GA's, acteen's RA's, adult Bible study 6:00 pm.

Old Grassy Christian Church, US-460, Mize, KY 41352. Mrs. Kerry Moore, pastor. Sunday morning 11:00 am.

Martha Enterprise Baptist Church, approximately 3 miles up KY-589 off KY-172. Services second weekend each month. Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Every Sunday morning 11:00 am. Bro. Roger Ball, pastor.

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Watson Enterprise Baptist Church, HC 75, Sandy Hook, KY. Larry Dale Ison, pastor. Mike Gilliam, assistant pastor. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am.

Campton Church Of Christ, Rt. 35, Box 405, Campton, KY 41301, phone 668-6531.

Lick Fork Pentecostal Church, Saturday evening 7:30 pm. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Congregation invites all. Everyone welcome.

Rocky Branch Full Gospel Church Of God, 3 miles north of Campton on KY-746. Sunday morning 10:00 am. Tuesday evening 7:00 pm. Denzil Lykins, pastor, phone 668-3643.

Torrent Church Of God, 1432 N KY-11, Zachariah, KY. Sunday School, 10:00 am, Sunday morning, 11:00 am, Sunday evening, 6:30 pm, Wednesday Bible Study, 7:00 pm. Rev. David Booth, pastor. Everyone welcome.

Bethany Baptist Church, War Creek, KY. Sunday School 9:45 am. Sunday morning 10:30 am. Every Sunday. Every third Saturday of each month Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Rick Pelfrey, pastor.

Stark United Methodist Church, Sunday morning 9:30 am. Sunday School 10:30 am. Friday youth group 7:00 pm. Friday adult Bible study 7:00 pm. Warren Vanover, pastor.

Ezel United Presbyterian Church, Ezel, KY 41425, phone 725-4215. Sunday morning 10:00 am. All ages welcome.

Cannel City First Church Of God, Cannel City, KY, phone 743-7395. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Wednesday evening 6:30 pm. Everyone welcome.

Zag Community Church, located 1 mile off KY-519 on KY-796. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Wednesday Bible study 7:00 pm. Rev. Donald Cox, pastor. Everyone welcome.

Index Community Church, Rt. 1 Box 210, West Liberty, KY 41472 (intersection KY-191 & US-460), phone 743-4733. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday youth hour 6:30 pm. Sunday evening 7:00 pm. Wednesday prayer service 7:00 pm. Rev. Mike Frisby, pastor. Eddy Dennison, assistant pastor.

Sandy Hook United Methodist Church, Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Wednesday Bible study 7:00 pm. Rev. Warren Vanover, pastor. Everyone welcome.

Red River Community Church, Hazel Green, KY 41332, phone 662-6947. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Thursday prayer service 7:00 pm. Rev. Charles Glover, pastor.

Prince Of Peace Catholic Church, US-460, West Liberty, KY. Sunday mass 9:00 am. Father Jerry Don, pastor, 581 Glenn Ave., phone 743-4817.

Wells Union Baptist Church, Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Tuesday Bible study 6:00 pm. Jimmy Tharp, pastor.

Ophir Enterprise Baptist Church, approximately 10 miles up KY-1260 off KY-172. Services first weekend each month. Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Every Sunday 11:00 am. No services fourth weekend. Bro. Bobby Fultz, pastor. Bro. Ronnie Wright, assistant pastor. Everyone welcome.

Pleasant Run House Of Prayer, Yocum, Ky. Sunday School 10:30 am. Sunday morning 1:00 pm. Wednesday evening 7:00 pm. Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Raymond Barker, pastor. Everyone welcome.

Helechawa Community Church, located on KY-191. Thursday evening 6:00 pm. Sunday evening 7:00 pm. Everyone welcome to come and worship the Lord.

Sulphur Springs Church, Crockett, KY, KY-172. Third weekend of each month and all odd weekends. Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Bro. Chris Baldwin, pastor. Bro. Bob Williams, assistant pastor. Everyone welcome.

Pekin Pentecostal Church, Wednesday evening 7:00 pm. Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Pastor Sammy Vanceave, 743-7255 Everyone invited.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

West Liberty Christian Church, 304 Prestonsburg St. (corner of Prestonsburg and Court Street), phone (606) 743-4356, parsonage (606) 743-4355. Paul Castee, minister. Matthew Riley, youth minister. Junior church and wee church 11:00 am. High school and middle school youth group Wednesday evening and Sunday evening 7:00 pm.

Ezel First Church Of God, Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Youth group Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Sunday evening 7:00 pm. Youth church service third Sunday each month 7:00 pm.

Stillwater Holiness Church, 3-1/2 miles north of Campton on KY-191. Thursday evening 7:00 pm. Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Patricia Cridler, pastor.

Bear Pen Worship Center, Sunday morning 10:45 am. Sunday School 6:30 pm. Wednesday evening 6:30 pm. David Spencer, pastor. Phone 668-3351.

Blaze Community Church, Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Wednesday evening 7:00 pm. Vernon Dale Lewis, pastor. Everyone invited.

Calvary Baptist Church, KY-191, Cannel City, KY. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 5:00 pm. Wednesday evening 7:00 pm. Harry B. Helton, pastor.

Campton Baptist Church, Sunday School 9:45 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 7:00 pm. Wednesday prayer service 7:00 pm. Pastor Gary Conner. Parsonage phone: 668-3499

Hazel Green Church Of God, KY-1010 East. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning and children's church 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Wednesday evening 7:00 pm. Charlie Brewer, pastor, wife Wavelene Brewer.

Concord Enterprise Baptist Church, KY-32 eight miles west of Sandy Hook. Every fourth Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Every Sunday, Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Wednesday prayer meeting 7:00 pm. Rev. Ricky Lewis, pastor.

West Liberty Church Of Christ, Sunday Bible study 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Wednesday Bible study for all ages 7:00 pm. Paul Balch, minister. Phone 743-2132.

Campton First Church Of God, Sunday School 9:45 am. Sunday morning 10:45 am. Sunday evening 6:30 pm. Wednesday prayer service 7:00 pm.

Laurel Gorge Enterprise Baptist Church, Youth services Friday 7:00 pm. Every third Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday School 9:45 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Wednesday prayer meeting 7:00 pm. Rev. Bill Rice, pastor. Virgil F. Gillum, assistant pastor.

Full Gospel Tabernacle, Top of Slade Hill where Jesus is Alpha and Omega. Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday evening 7:00 pm. Tuesday evening 7:00 pm. Rev. Ralph Banks, pastor. Everyone welcome.

Grassy Lick Baptist Church, Grassy Creek, KY 41352. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:30 pm. Wednesday evening Bible study 7:00 pm. Kenneth Gevedon, pastor. Vernon Stacy, assistant pastor. James Tyra, assistant pastor.

Quilens Church Of God, Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Lester Spencer, pastor. Phone 668-6435.

Abundant Life Full Gospel Church, 849 Broadway St., West Liberty, KY. Phone 743-1549. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Thursday evening 7:00 pm. Bro. Donnie Wheeler, pastor.

Murphy Fork Church, Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday worship 11:00 am. Sunday night 6:00 pm. Thursday night 7:00 pm.

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Kiwanis speaker
Kiwanian Cody Prater, right of Citizens Bank of West Liberty presented the program for the West Liberty Kiwanis Club on Jan. 14. Prater's presentation was about Morgan County native Alpha Hutchinson, who before his death owned Citizens Bank of Morehead. Kiwanian Lynn Nickell is at left.

Lawmaker looks for new revenue

By John Whitlock
Kentucky Press Association
News Bureau

Although talk of budgetary problems and expanded legal gambling have dominated much of this year's General Assembly session, one lawmaker is looking for other ways to help ease the state's money woes.

State Rep. Jim Wayne, D-Louisville, speaking to the House Special Subcommittee on Expanded Gaming Jan. 23, said overhauling the current tax system would ease the state's pressing need for the kind of revenue that would be created through increased gaming in Kentucky.

Wayne said the state's current financial problems have been looming on the horizon for several years and it's time lawmakers address the situation.

"For years, as predicted by (economist) Dr. James Fox in this 2001 study of our inadequate, outdated and unjust tax system, we knew, or should have known, that today we would be facing a nearly \$1 billion crisis," Wayne said. "He told us then and Gov. Paul Patton, in his last year in office, presented us with a sound solution. But we ignored Dr. Fox and we ignored Gov. Patton."

Wayne said his measure, HB 262, would create a "more progressive and just income tax" that would raise taxes on those earning \$85,000 annually by \$100 and those making over \$95,000 by \$250.

The bill also includes provisions to bring back a tax that would generate revenue from estate's valued at over \$1 million, levy a charge on services generally used by the wealthy such as limousine rides, charter flights

and country-club fees. The measure would also create a 15 percent earned income tax credit for families earning less than \$40,000 annually.

"These proposals are not only sound, they are just," Wayne said. "Making these changes will begin to give our commonwealth a progressive system of taxation, a system in which those with the most pay the same percentage of their income as the middle class and the lower class."

Wayne said the proposals would generate \$315 million in the first year, an amount he says would be about \$1 million a year more than expanded gaming would bring in.

Although he doesn't expect HB 262 to be adopted in lieu of expanded gaming, Wayne said he wanted to show the committee that there are alternatives to more gambling in Kentucky.

Another way to increase state revenue, Wayne said, would be raising the state's cigarette tax by 75 cents.

Mike Kuntz, director of advocacy for the American Lung Association of Kentucky, told the subcommittee increasing the tax would cause nearly 47,000 fewer young people to start smoking and would save the state over \$10 billion in long-term health care costs.

"Hikes (in cigarette taxes) always raise revenue and make fewer smokers," Kuntz said.

Since Wayne and Kuntz's testimony was listed as "for discussion only," the subcommittee

took no formal action.

Speaker of the House Jody Richards, D-Bowling Green, said the subcommittee has been "working extremely hard" on formulating ideas for the expanded gaming bill even though he expects it "will be a few weeks" before the measure hits the floor for consideration of the full House.

Richards wouldn't rule out a cigarette-tax hike but said he would wait for Gov. Steve Beshear to release his budget plans before considering the issue.

In other action around the General Assembly, the House unanimously passed a measure Jan. 25 that would allow Kentucky's public universities to issue their own bonds for construction projects.

If the measure becomes law, public colleges and universities could use their own money to pay off the bonds instead of depending on allocations from the state. The debt would also be removed from state rolls and would protect Kentucky's credit and bonding rating.

Under the bill, sponsored by Rep. Bob Damron, D-Nicholasville, the sale of any new bonds by universities would still have to be approved by the state.

The measure has the support of university presidents from across the state who believe that if would take some of the politics out of process of new higher-education construction projects.

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COURIER SPORTS

Dulen's 17 leads Morgan past Fleming; Lady Cougars blow lead, fall at Lewis

By David Patrick
Morgan Co. 61
Fleming Co. 42

Alyssa Dulen, Leslie Eagle and Lara Hembree combined for 48 points as the Lady Cougars beat Fleming County at Veterans Memorial Gym, 61-42.

Eagle scored nine of her team's 14 first quarter points as Morgan took a six-point lead. The Lady Panthers answered with a 17 point second period, led by nine points from Robbie Alex, to take a 25-23 advantage at the half.

But Fleming's lead proved short lived, thanks to a barrage of long range shots by Morgan. Alyssa Dulen hit three 3-point baskets, while Hembree added two bombs and a two-point field goal in the Lady Cougars' 18-point third period. Jeff Brown's team added another 19 in the final quarter to close out the 61-42 win.

Dulen finished with a game-high 17 for Morgan, while Eagle and Hembree added 16 and 15, respectively. Hannah Fugate scored four of her eight points in the final eight minutes.

Lewis Co. 46
Morgan Co. 43

Lewis County rallied from a 13-point deficit, outscoring Morgan County 24-8 in the fourth period enroute to a 46-43 win in Vanceburg.

The Lady Lions were outscored in each of the game's first three quarters before hitting five field goals and 12 of 16 from the free throw line in the final period. Trayla Liles and Emily Lykins led the way with a com-



Photo By Kent Nickell

Hannah Fugate (No. 27) goes high over a Fleming County defender to loft a shot in the Lady Cougars' win over the Lady Panthers.

combined 19 points to lead the comeback.

Morgan got three-point baskets from Lara Hembree and Alyssa Dulen to take an early 10-7 lead. Leslie Eagle scored seven points in the second period as Jeff Brown's team led 23-14 at the half.

The Lady Cougars extended their lead to 13 after three quarters with four points from Eagle and three-pointers by Dulen and Hannah Fugate. But Morgan's defense fell victim to their opponents' 24-point fourth period burst as Lewis County picked up its eighth win of the season.

Eagle paced the Lady Cougars with 14 points. Dulen scored nine points with Hembree adding six.

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Elliott Co. completes reg. season sweep of Cougars

Faulkner, J. Ferguson score 38; B. Ferguson leads Morgan with 16

By David Patrick

Elliott County jumped out to a 21-7 lead and never looked back as the Lions beat Morgan County in Sandy Hook, 78-61.

Elliott's quick start was fueled by 11 first quarter points from Ethan Faulkner. The junior guard added six more in the second period—to go along with seven points from Tyler Maynard and four from Evan Faulkner. Morgan's Cameron Dunn and Mikie Fyffe combined for 12 in the quarter, but the Cougars still found themselves in a 45-24 hole.

But Matthew Perry's team played its best basketball in the second half. Seven players found the scoring column in the third period, led by five points from Colby Jones and three each by Fyffe and Dunn. Tyler Adkins, Brandon Ferguson, Jerrad Smith, and Stephen Barnett also scored as the Cougars held the deficit at 21.

Morgan kept up its scoring pace in the fourth quarter to keep the game more than respectable. Ferguson tallied eight of his team-high 16 over the final eight minutes, with Fyffe adding seven points—including his second three-pointer of the game. The Cougars outscored Elliott 18-14 to account for the 78-61 final.

Ethan Faulkner finished with 23 points to lead all scorers, while Jonathan Ferguson added 15. Chris Knipp scored 10, including a pair of three-point baskets.

Morgan's Mikie Fyffe scored all 15 of his points in the final three quarters. Dunn finished

with 10 points, six rebounds and two assists.

The 17-point loss was a vast improvement from the 43-point beating the Cougars endured at the hands of Elliott during the season opener in West Liberty. Morgan County remains in need of a win (of 14 points or more) against West Carter Friday night to avoid the four-seed in the upcoming district tournament.

Cougars post 51-40 victory over Fleming

By David Patrick

Morgan County guards Cameron Dunn and Logan May led a balanced scoring attack with a combined 21 points as the Cougars beat Fleming County at Veterans Memorial Gym, 51-40.

The Panthers jumped out to a 12-5 lead after one quarter before the brunt of the damage with a trio of three-pointer baskets, while Dunn hit two field goals. Jerrad Smith also hit a three-pointer as Morgan took a 23-17 lead at intermission.

The Cougars then began to pull away in the third quarter, doubling up the Panthers 12-6 to take a 35-23 lead. Dunn and Tyler Adkins scored a basket apiece and Mikie Fyffe added a three-pointer in the period. Matthew Perry's team capped its eighth win of the year with a 16-point fourth quarter – led by field goals from Adkins, Dunn, Fyffe and Brandon Ferguson.

Dunn and May paced Morgan with 11 and 10 points, respectively. Ferguson scored nine points and Fyffe added eight.

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Cameron Dunn

MCHS Boys' Basketball Team:

This week's athlete of the week is junior guard Cameron Dunn of the MCHS Boys Basketball team. Cameron had 11 points and 8 rebounds in a solid performance vs. Fleming County this past Friday night in a key EKC Conference game. Cameron's play has helped the Cougars win 4 of their last 5 games. Cameron is the son of Sam and Diana Dunn.



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AREA DEATHS

Iva Victoria Mason Kelly



Iva Victoria Mason Kelly, 94, of Martha, passed away Sunday, January 27, 2008, at her residence.

Mrs. Kelly was born October 23, 1913, in Elliott County, a daughter of the late Jesse James and Amy Lue Lester Mason.

Iva was a homemaker and a beloved member of the Martha Church of God.

She was also preceded in death by her husband, Felix Edward Kelly, June 15, 1992; one daughter, Chester Reda Baker, May 22, 2005; one son, Roba Darrell Kelly, May 14, 2001; brother and sisters, Lily Ridgeway, May Damron, Woodrow Mason, Kansas Mason and Lorene Margaret Mason; and two sons-in-law, Elmer L. Mullins, September 4, 1974, and Vernon T. Craft, August 18, 1979.

Surviving are her children, Reva Craft of Portsmouth, Ohio, William Jesse and Shirley Kelly of Cleveland, Ohio, Rinda Ruth and Bill Barker of New Carlisle, Ohio, Ruby Lue and Fred Harold Rose of Keeton, Wanda Lucy and Larry Joe McClain of West Liberty, David Edward and Ruby Lea Kelly of Martha, Donnie Denvil and Artie Kelly of Sullivan, Ohio, Mary Florence Barker of Paintsville, and Lonnie Martin and Vickie Lynn Kelly of Oil Springs; 28 grandchildren; 31 great-grandchildren; several stepgrandchildren; several great-grandchildren; daughter-in-law, Mavis Kelly Preston; son-in-law, Charles D. Baker; five brothers and sisters, Hazel Jane Rigsby of Wooster, Ohio, Stonewall Mason of Crockett, Jesse Lloyd Mason of Wheelersburg, Ohio, Docky Boyd Mason of Sandy Hook and Wanda Lue Skaggs of Hitchins.

Funeral services were conducted at 1:00 p.m. at Lewis & Ferguson Funeral Home, in Sandy Hook, with Bro. Harold Keaton and Bro. Danny Fannin officiating. Burial was in the Elliott County Memory Gardens, in Sandy Hook, under the direction of Lewis & Ferguson Funeral Home.

John D. Easterling



John Delmon Easterling, 48, of Waco, Kentucky, son of Lois C. Easterling and the late Delmon Easterling, died Saturday, January 12, 2008, at his home. He had undergone open heart surgery two years ago.

He was born on January 28, 1959, and was a lifelong resident of Madison County. He was a graduate of Madison Central High School, and a member of the Flatwoods Christian Church. John was a former employee of Madison Grocery Wholesale Company and Enersys Corp. in Richmond. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and gardening.

In addition to his father, he was preceded in death in 2005 by his wife, Linda Cruse Easterling; his grandparents, John and Eunice Easterling, of Ezel, and John M. and Ada Cockrell, of Waco, and his aunt, Sylvia Bowman, of Ezel.

Survivors include his mother, Lois Easterling; step-children and step-grandchildren; a great aunt, Virgie Young, and several cousins including Leola McQuinn, of Mount Sterling, and Edwina Brown, of Sacramento, Ky., and several close friends.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15, at Combs, Parsons & Collins Funeral Home, in Richmond, with Bro. Tim Jones officiating. Burial followed in the Richmond Cemetery, with Combs, Parsons & Collins Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were Scott Elkins, Bobby Elkins, Beverly Dezarn, Harry Bush, Charles Carroll, William Cody, Charlie Lutes, Christ Stanifer and Pat Carroll.

CARD OF THANKS

From the family of Shane Montgomery--we would like to thank everyone who came to visit, brought food, sent flowers, gave money, or simply said a prayer. We appreciate everything everyone did.

Thank you,
Don and Janie Robbins,
Kevin, Belinda, and Kyle
King
(pd)

me all the way. you send the sunshine and rain you share our joy and all our pain. We bow our heads to thee in prayer assured that you are always there. Dear Lord, I thank you for your love, the blessings from your throne above. You are my strength from day to day, oh Lord and Master of my way.

Wm. Everett Allen



Everett Allen of Lower Nickell Branch, Hazel Green, Ky., passed away Saturday, January 26, 2008, at the Salyersville Health Care Center, Salyersville, Ky., at the age of 78 years, 5 months, and 8 days.

He was born on Sunday, August 18, 1929, a son of the late James Elijah and Ethel Davis Allen.

He was united in marriage to Merna Rice. To this union were born two children, Teresa and Rick. He was a retired farmer and heavy equipment operator for the Kentucky State Highway Department.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Merna Rice Allen; one brother, Earnest Allen; four sisters, Erie Walton, Edith Bryanton, Eva Perkins, and Elizabeth Oldfield, and his companion, Ann Brewer.

He is survived by his two children, Teresa Cole and husband David of Charlotte, N.C., and Rick Allen and wife Julie of Lexington, Ky.; two grandchildren, Brad Cole and wife Ashley of Charlotte, N.C., and Jamie Allen of Lexington, Ky.; two sisters,

Hildreth Ellis Brown



Hildreth Ellis Brown, age 84, of Little Lane, Morehead, Kentucky, passed away Sunday, January 27, 2008, at St. Claire Regional Medical Center.

Born December 22, 1923, in Rowan County, Kentucky, she was the daughter of the late George and Lala McKinney Ellis. Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Lloyd J. Brown, who passed away February 28, 2002, and a brother, Forest Lee Ellis.

Mrs. Brown is survived by one daughter, Karlene and husband Orville Little of Morehead, Kentucky; two sisters, Hazel Pennix of Oklahoma and Jewell Moore of Haines City, Florida; two grandchildren, Amy and Jon, and two great-grandchildren, Katlyn and Harlan.

Mrs. Brown was a homemaker and a member of the Clearfield Tabernacle Church of God. She also enjoyed flowers, gardening and attending church.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday, January 30, 2008, at Northcutt & Son Home for Funerals Memorial Chapel in Morehead with the Rev. Mike Clark and Dr. Jack Ellis officiating. Burial was in the Brown Cemetery. Pallbearers were Barrett Frances, Heath Loper, Shelby Mauk, Earl Nickell, Frank Mauk, and Gordon Donahue.

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Edith C. Chadwell

Edith C. Chadwell, age 83, of White Lake, Michigan, passed away Friday, Jan. 25, at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia, Michigan.

She is survived by a daughter, Paulette Johnson of White Lake, Michigan, and a son, Danny Chadwell of Westland, Michigan; three brothers, James C. Thomas and Clyde A. Thomas of Morehead; and Clayton Thomas of Sacramento, California; seven sisters, Emma Lee Smith of Orin, Ohio; Ruby Elam, Vinda Moore, Mary Jane Kidd, and Bonnie Wood all of Morehead; Madge Elliott and Sue Harding of Clearfield.

Funeral arrangements are pending at the Northcutt & Son Home for Funerals for Edith C. Chadwell.

BE PATIENT

Be patient in little things. Learn to bear the everyday trials and annoyances of life quietly and calmly, and then, when unforeseen trouble or calamity comes, your strength will not forsake you. — Author Unknown

Ernie D. Harding

Ernie D. Harding, age 61, of Big Run Road, Wallingford, Kentucky, passed away Wednesday, January 23, 2008, at U.K. Medical Center in Lexington, Kentucky.

He was born August 11, 1946, in Morgan County, Kentucky, and was the son of the late Ollie and Myrtle Ann Keeton Harding.

He is survived by his wife, Cathy Pick Harding, whom he married on April 14, 1967; three sons, William Todd Harding of Elkhart, Indiana, Paul David Harding and wife Rustie of Wallingford, Kentucky, and Roy Lee Harding and wife Beth of Salt Lick, Kentucky; a daughter, Dani Marie Amaru, of Fallon, Nevada; seven grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter.

Other survivors include four brothers, James Earl Harding of Benton, Kentucky, Robert Harding of Maysville, Kentucky, Arlie Dean Harding of Sandy Hook, Kentucky, and Roger Harding of West Liberty, Kentucky, and a sister, Martha Sue Harding of Lexington, Kentucky.

Mr. Harding served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War from 1969-1972. He was a former truck driver with North West Transport in Denver, Colorado, and a member of the Mt. Pisgah Christian Church. Ernie was an avid fisherman.

Funeral services were conducted 11 a.m. Saturday, January 26, 2008, at Northcutt & Son Home for Funerals Memorial Chapel in Morehead with the Rev. James DeAtley officiating. Burial was in the Big Run Community Cemetery in Wallingford, Kentucky. Full military rites were be conducted at the graveside by Morehead American Legion Post No. 126.

Pallbearers: Members of Morehead American Legion Post No. 126.

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Bobbie Gordon-Dulin

Bobbie Grace Gordon-Dulin, 75, of Piqua, Ohio, died Saturday, January 19, 2008, at her home.

She was born July 7, 1935, in Moultrie, Georgia, a daughter of the late Tom Gordon and Katie Goings Gordon.

In addition to her parents, Bobbie was preceded in death by her husband, Jerry Dulin; one daughter, Patricia Dulin Martin; and three brothers, Billie, Rayford and J.P. Gordon.

She accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as her saviour.

Survivors include one daughter, Debra Spencer, of Hartman, Arkansas; two sons, Allen Driggers, of New Orleans, Louisiana, and T. Tommy Dulin, Sr. and wife, Danna Dulin, of Piqua, Ohio; one sister, Thelma Holloway, of Tampa, Florida; numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren.

A graveside service was conducted at noon on Thursday, January 24, at the Dulin Family Cemetery, Upper Sandlick Road, West Liberty, with Rev. Eugene Haney officiating. Burial followed under the direction of Herald and Stewart and Halsey Funeral Home, of West Liberty.

Send memorial condolences: www.heraldstewarthalseyfh.com

James E. Tackett

James Edward Tackett, of Frenchburg, departed this life Monday, January 21, 2008, at the age of 68 years, 11 months, and 15 days.

He was born in Morgan County, Kentucky, on February 6, 1939, to the late James Emery and Ella Ross Tackett.

James was a former employee for the City of Middletown, Ohio, and was of the Pentecostal faith.

Survivors include one brother, Jack George Tackett, of Lexington; and two sisters, Maudie Phipps and Beulah Stephens, both of Middletown, Ohio; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, Jan. 25, at Porter and Son Funeral Directors Chapel with Bro. Dave Bolin and Bro. Harry Flannery officiating. Burial followed in the Old Grassy Cemetery, at Mize, with Porter and Son Funeral Directors, of Campton, in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were Marvin Marklin, David Wayne Adkins, Ray Taulbee, Billie Joe Bush, Chris Bush, and David Willoughby.

Honorary pallbearers were Larry Phipps, Lisa Tackett, Danny Havens, Anna Gail Stephenson, Deloris Marklin, and Tammy Stephenson.

Quotable Quote

Don't smoke too much, drink too much, eat too much, or work too much. We're all on the road to the grave — but there's no reason to be in the passing lane.

Robert Orb

Charles W. Friend

Charles W. Friend, of Enon, Ohio, died Tuesday, October 30, 2007, at Dayspring Health Care Center, in Fairborn, Ohio.

He was born on October 31, 1923, in West Liberty, Kentucky. A World War II veteran, Charlie spent over 3 years as a Marine in active combat in the South Pacific. He also was on Admiral Nimitz personal staff for the surrender of the Japanese in China. He retired from Wright Patterson Air Force Base where he was an Electronics Engineer performing major research projects for the Air Force.

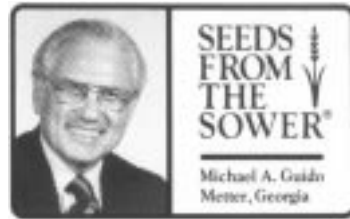
After retiring, he spent over 20 years as the founder and operator of Friend's Cyclery in Fairborn. In his over 50 years residency in Enon, he was a leader in establishing community service activities. He was also a charter member (60 years) of the Enon VFW Post 8437, a lifetime member of the American Legion Post 526, a lifetime member of the Cooties, and a member (60 years) of the Fairborn Masonic Lodge 764.

Survivors include his wife of 65 years, Peggy; his four children, Helen (Tony) Southall, of Columbus, Ohio, Mary Sue (Charlie) Friend, of Phoenix, Arizona, EDlene (Bob) Flannery, of Henderson, Nevada, and Paul (Cindy) Friend, of Gainesville, Virginia; eight grandchildren, Kristin Koliha, Kenneth Flannery, William Flannery, Charles C. Friend and Ashley, Jake, Walter, and Brittany Gerring; and 7 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Charles W. Friend, Jr.; and a daughter, Sandra K. Friend.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 5, at Burcham Funeral Home, in Fairborn, Ohio, with burial following in the Enon Cemetery, Enon, Ohio.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in his name were suggested to Enon VFW Post 8437, 5075 Enon-Xenia Road, Enon, Ohio 45323, or the American Heart Association.



A little girl was asked to memorize a Bible verse for a play, and her mother faithfully coached her with the verse, "I am the light of the world."

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On behalf of my brother, William, and myself and our family, we would like to thank the people of Morgan County and the surrounding area as well as those throughout the state who in any way recognized and honored the death of our father, Dr. George R. Bellamy.

Dad was born and raised and other than his time in school, lived his entire life in Morgan County. During his 47 years as a physician he touched and helped to heal many lives yet at the same time he was blessed by the kindness of so many of you to him and to us. Dad absolutely loved being a physician and helping to make people feel "just a little bit better" and he especially enjoyed serving in his hometown.

The expressions of people during our loss were beyond words and assured us of your love and respect for our dad. The stories that so many shared have been especially meaningful and have allowed for the memory of our dad to linger just a little longer. A special thanks to all the people at the Morgan County Appalachian Regional Hospital over the years who provided Dad with a literal home away from home and a second family whom he loved and in return cherished their affection for him. Thanks for allowing the hospital facility to provide the most appropriate place to say good-bye to Dr. Bellamy.

Thanks to those who have contributed some \$4,000 to the Dr. George R. Bellamy Christmas Special Medical Needs Fund that will allow my dad to continue to serve those in need in his honor. I know that in his unique, quiet way my dad would maybe not say a lot about all you have done in his honor, but inside he would be touched by you, his "patients," who allowed him to give his life in serving you.

--George M. Bellamy (pd)

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AA meetings slated for each Sunday evening
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Morgan Christian Acad. needs old cell phones and ink cartridges
The Morgan County Christian Academy is collecting used, no longer needed, cell phones and used printer cartridges. The Academy is doing this as an effort to recycle. So please, if you have any used cell phones or ink cartridges, call the school at 743-1824 or drop them off at the school at Index.
C-8-23-1f

Sunday school class at Tom's Branch Church
Tom's Branch Community Church is proud to announce Sunday School every Sunday at 10 a.m., under the direction of Brother Ronnie Poe. We would like to invite everyone to come out and bring the children that they may learn about Jesus in a fun filled atmosphere.

Morgan Co. schools homework hotline
Morgan County schools homework hotline numbers are as follows: Morgan County Middle School, 743-8118; East Valley Elementary School, 522-8185; Ezel Elementary School, 725-88208; Morgan Central Elementary School, 743-8433; and West Liberty Elementary School, 743-8427.

Volunteers needed!
Volunteers are needed for the Morgan County History Museum. We need volunteers that can work a few hours a week at the museum. Days needed--Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. We are open from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. Any help will be appreciated.
C-8-16-1f

Bluegrass music at Blackwater Fire Dept.
Come and enjoy bluegrass and bluegrass gospel music at the Blackwater Volunteer Fire Department each Thursday evening, beginning at 7 p.m. Donations are accepted at the door. Come out and support your local volunteer.

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Service times at Seventh Day Adventist Church
The Seventh Day Adventist Church, 1266 E. Main Street, in Jackson, meets at 10 a.m. for Saturday worship, and at 6 p.m. for Tuesday Bible study. Everyone welcome.
C-1-8-1f

Gospel singing set at Crockett Ch. Feb. 1
There will be a gospel singing at Crockett Primitive Baptist Church, Hwy. 706, at Crockett, on Friday, Feb. 1, beginning at 7 p.m. Singers will be the True Gospel Echoes, Tommy Vanhoose with the Richardson Chapel Singers, and more. There will also be a soup bean dinner with sauerkraut and wieners, corn bread, and onions. The pastors and congregation welcome everyone to attend.
C-1-17-4f

Indoor Archery Tourney slated Saturday, Jan. 26
There will be an Indoor Archery Tournament on Saturday, Jan. 26, at the Community Center, in West Liberty. This event is being sponsored by Morgan-Elliott 4-H Shooting Sports. For additional information call Kim Horton, 743-9347.
C-1-17-2f

Middle School Decision Council meet. Jan. 29
The Morgan County Middle School Based Decision Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 29, at 4:30 p.m., in the Middle School Library.

Gateway WIA program offering following services
Between the ages of 18-21? Ready to make a difference in your life? The Gateway WIA program is now offering the following services to residents of Morgan and Menifee Counties: Work Readiness Skills, Attending College for short term training, Life skills training, Obtaining work experience, Parenting skills, Financial planning. If interested call Karen at (606) 743-4141, ext. 101 today to see if you qualify.

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Nat'l Birth Defects Prevention Month
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First blood drive of 2008 Feb. 7 in West Liberty
The Kentucky Blood Center and Morgan County Lions Club, along with the assistance of the West Liberty Homemakers, will conduct the first blood drawing of the new year in West Liberty on Thursday, Feb. 7, from noon until 7:30 p.m., at the Community Center. Come, bring a friend, and give a pint of life!
C-1-24-3f

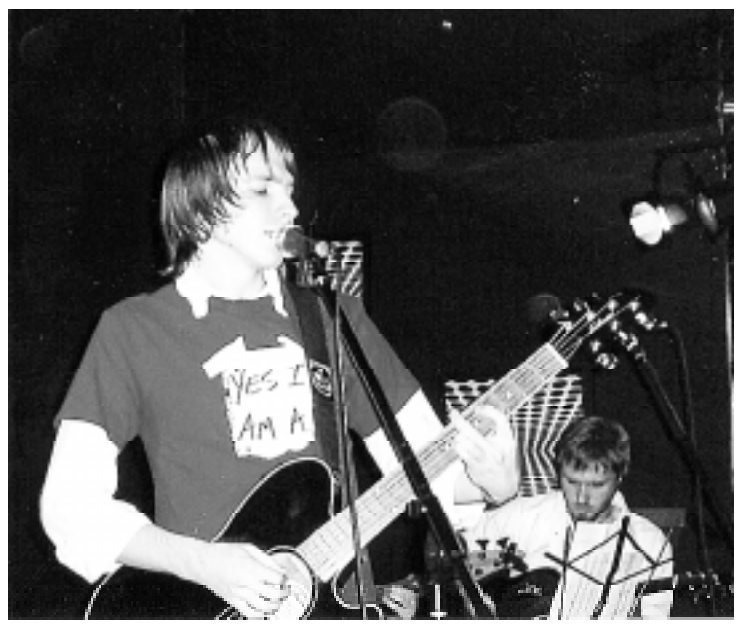
Attention women ages 40-64
If you are a Kentucky resident, have no insurance, if you have never had a mammogram or it has been two years or more since your last mammogram, you may qualify for a screening and will receive a \$10 Wal Mart card to spend how you wish. Call Morgan County Health Department at 743-3744, and ask for an appointment today!! Funding provided by: Kentucky Cancer Progra, Susan G. Komen and Gateway District Health Department.

Tones of Faith to sing at Watson Baptist Church
The Tones Of Faith will be singing on Sunday morning, Feb. 3, at Watson Enterprise Baptist Church. Service begins at 11 a.m. Everyone welcome.
C-1-24-2f

City Council meeting Monday, January 28
The West Liberty City Council will meet in regular session Monday, January 28, at 5 p.m., in the West Liberty City Hall Council Room, located at 565 Main Street. All meetings are open to the public.

Baby shower for Hylton family set February 3
You are invited to attend a baby shower given in honor of Jonathan and Lori Cottle Hylton. The shower will be held at the Fellowship Hall of the Lacy Creek Church of Christ on February 3, 2008, at 3 p.m. Her baby boy is due March 25th. The couple lost all previous baby things in a house fire.
C-1-24-2f

DAVA Auxiliary monthly meet. Feb. 1
The DAVA Auxiliary will be having their monthly meeting at the Community Center Building on Friday, Feb. 1. All members are urged to attend.



Christian Concert at Woodmen of the World Feb. 9th
Justin Harris will be performing at the Woodmen of the World building on Saturday, Feb. 9. Cost is \$5 at the door. Food and drinks will be sold. Doors open at 6:15, show begins at 7 p.m.
(C-1-31-2f Pd)

Morgan County DAV Chapter 132 meet. Feb. 1
Our monthly meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 1. The meeting will be held in the Morgan County Office Building meeting room.

String Along meeting postponed to Jan. 29
Due to inclement weather, the String Along Quilt Guild meeting scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 22, was postponed until Tuesday, Jan. 29, at 6:30 p.m. The quilt block competition will be conducted during this meeting. For additional information phone President Libby Hammonds at 743-4322.

Pauline Chapter 360 OES to meet Feb. 4
Pauline Chapter 360 Order of the Eastern Star will have installation of officers on Monday, Feb. 4, at 7:30 p.m. Dinner will be served following the meeting. All OES members are invited.

Regular meeting of Morgan Fiscal Court set
Morgan County Fiscal Court will meet in regular session Tuesday, Feb. 5, at 5:30 p.m. Meeting will take place at the Morgan County Office Building--Conference Room, 450 Prestonsburg Street, West Liberty, Ky. 41472.

Herman V. Nickell VFW post meeting February 3
Herman Volney Nickell, V.F.W. Post 7225 will meet in regular session Sunday, Feb. 3, at 2 p.m., in the basement of West Liberty City Hall. Entrance and parking in the back of City Hall off Trimble Street.
Jimmy Easterling, Commander
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Household shower set for Dean and Gloria Adkins
There will be a community household shower on Saturday, Feb. 9, at 1 p.m., at Wrigley Baptist Church, located on Hwy. 7, at Wrigley, for Dean and Gloria Adkins and family. The Adkins family lost their home in Wrigley and most belongings to a fire Dec. 26. Friends, family and neighbors are invited to come out and help them.
C-1-31-2f

Greenville Lodge to meet Saturday, Feb. 2
Greenville Masonic Lodge #655 will meet Saturday, Feb. 2, at 7 p.m. Jerry Haney, Deputy District Grand Master, will be there for the official meeting. All members please come and bring a covered dish. A potluck meal will be served following the meeting.
C-1-24-2f

Sammy Adkins to be at Cannonsburg Sat., Feb. 2
Sammy Adkins and the Sandy Hook Mountain Boys, along with the Bobby Maynard band, will be performing at Blue Ribbon Fox Hunters Lodge, at Cannonsburg, on Saturday, Feb. 2. Music will begin at 7 p.m. Everyone is invited to come out and enjoy an evening of old time mountain and bluegrass music.

Morgan Emergency Training enrollment
Morgan Emergency Training is now accepting applications for enrollment in our spring EMT and Paramedic courses. Classes will be held at the MSU Enterprise Center in West Liberty. Deadline for enrollment in the EMT course is February 6, 2008. Paramedic class pretesting to start in February. Tuition assistance is available and class size is limited. For more information contact Course Coordinator, Rodney K. Cantrell, (606) 743-3497, or rodcan@mrtc.com

Attention Bee Keepers!
Phil Craft, State Bee Appatist will be at the Menifee County Bee Keepers Meeting on Thursday, Feb. 7, at 6:30 p.m. He will be there to answer questions on bee keeping. This meeting is open to the public. If you would like more information or directions, please feel free to contact the Morgan County Extension Office at 743-3292.

Red River Community Church marks 10 years
Red River Community Church will mark its ten year anniversary with a celebration on Sunday, Feb. 3, beginning at 10 a.m. The McKinney Family will be singing, and a fellowship dinner will follow the worship service. Pastor Charles Glover and the church family invite all to join them in this special celebration. For additional information phone 662-6947.

Rook tourney Friday and Saturday, Feb. 1 and 2
There will be a Rook tournament at McKenzie's Pool Room, Main Street, West Liberty, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 1 and 2. Signups begin at 6:30 p.m., and begin playing at 7 p.m. For additional information call Donnie McKenzie at 743-3832.

Volunteers needed!
Volunteers are needed for the Morgan County History Museum. We need volunteers that can work a few hours a week at the museum. Days needed are Tuesday and Friday. We are open from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. Any help will be appreciated.
C-1-31-1f

Blue Mountain Grass to be at Connorsville, Ind.
Mike Havens and Blue Mountain Grass will be performing at H.T. Restaurant, in Connorsville, Indiana. Music will begin at 7 p.m. Band members--Mike Havens, Debi Horton, Keith Prater, and Mike Wilson--are looking forward to seeing their fans, friends and relatives, and making new acquaintances.

Chili supper at Ezel Elem. Friday, Feb. 1
Ezel Elementary CPTO will sponsor a chili supper at Ezel Elementary on Friday, Feb. 1, from 5 to 7 p.m. Come out and support your school.

Tommy Webb to be at Big Woods Jamboree Feb. 2
The Tommy Webb Band will be performing at Big Woods Jamboree, in Rowan County, on Saturday, Feb. 2, beginning at 7 p.m. To get to Big Woods Jamboree from Morehead, take Rt. 32, turn right on Big Woods Road near the Rowan-Fleming County line.

Little League Baseball meeting set February 13
There will be a Little League Baseball meeting Wednesday, Feb. 13, beginning at 7 p.m., in the Community Center Conference Room.
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(Submitted by Alpha Clevenger)



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Insurance topic at Kiwanis meet
Insurance agent John Ison, left, presented the program at the Jan. 21 meeting of the West Liberty Kiwanis Club. Ison, who operates Ison Insurance Agency in West Liberty, addressed the club on the details of its insurance coverage. Kiwanis President Tim Conley is at right.

Whitetails Unlimited fundraising banquet scheduled for Feb. 16
Whitetails Unlimited is sponsoring the Morgan County Deer Hunters Whitetails Unlimited Fundraising Banquet on Saturday, Feb. 16, at the Morgan County High School, 150 Road to Success Lane, West Liberty. This special event will feature a dinner, auction, door prizes, sporting equipment, limited edition wildlife and outdoor art, and WTU collectibles. Proceeds from this fundraising banquet will go toward youth and conservation projects in Morgan County. The social hour begins at 5:00 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$40 each, \$20 for a spouse, or \$20 for juniors 15 and under. There is a February 13th deadline for tickets, and tickets

will not be sold at the door. To order tickets call Lee Hampton at (606) 743-9267 evenings, Randy Maxey at (606) 725-5240, or WTU National Headquarters at 800-274-5471, or go online at www.whitetailsunlimited.com. Whitetails Unlimited, Inc. is a national, nonprofit, conservation organization, with members in all 50 states that strongly believes in working with its local chapters in addressing local, state and national issues involving whitetail deer and their habitat. Unique among conservation organizations, Whitetails Unlimited returns 50 percent of net event proceeds to the local chapter to use on local conservation projects. For more information on Whitetails Unlimited please visit our website at www.whitetailsunlimited.com

Timber theft is on the rise; tips to prevent it

The demand for American hardwoods overseas has grown in recent years, and as result, some loggers are cashing in — by cutting down someone else's trees. Timber theft and timber trespass are not new, but "as timber values rise, so have the stakes for landowners — and the attitude of law enforcement is adjusting accordingly," Samira Jafari of The Associated Press reported recently. The Mountain Eagle of Whites, Ky., reported last month on theft of timber from an elderly couple who "told police a crew of loggers came onto their property last month and cut and removed red and white oak trees valued at more than \$50,000. One of the trees was at least 60 inches in diameter, the couple said." They couple wrote a letter to the Eagle saying that the man in charge of the timbering crew offered them \$1,700 after the fact. "We wanted to leave those trees to our children and our grandchildren," they wrote. "It was their inheritance and we have worked our whole lives to save that for them. We are not wealthy people so this hurts us more than most."

Here are some tips for timber owners from Jeff Stringer, a professor at the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture: To protect their property, owners should know their property boundaries and have them marked. If the land is remote, an owner should have someone keep an eye on the property, and owners should notify adjacent owners that they do not want their timber logged. If timber trespass does occur, owners have recourse. In Kentucky, for example, landowners are entitled to three times the value of the timber logged and three times the value of the damages caused by the trespass.

Timber theft is when someone intentionally steals tress from an owner, while timber trespass is when a logger cuts down an adjacent landowner's trees. States such as Mississippi and Virginia have established specific timber theft laws, while other states such as Kentucky do not have such

statutes, Jafari reports. The problem is a big one for Appalachian states such as Kentucky — a 2003 Virginia Tech study said those areas lose \$4 million annually to timber thieves. In Kentucky, the Appalachian Roundtable, a group of forestry experts, law enforcement officials and others, is working to raise awareness of the problem and lobby the state to make timber theft a felony. (Read more) A broader source of information is the National Woodland Owners Association. "Data on timber theft is hard to come by because, experts say, much of it goes unreported, and many states lump it with other crimes under general property theft handled at the local level," reports Susan Saulny of The New York Times. "We have not been able to determine whether it's any worse in one place or another," Alberto Goetzl, a forest economist who is studying the extent of domestic illegal logging, told Saulny. "What we have learned is that the concern about timber theft is greater than I thought before I went into this."

Many woodlands have absentee landowners, who find it difficult to monitor their property or get satisfaction after they are robbed. Dean Manning and Tara Kaprowy of The Sentinel-Echo in London, Ky., recently wrote about a family that lost more than 60,000 board feet of timber to a thief in Letcher County, home of The Mountain Eagle. "After nine trial dates in Letcher Circuit Court, a special prosecutor reached a plea bargain with Josh Baker, who pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor (under \$300) theft charge," without the family's consent, the Sentinel-Echo reports. Family member Ray Fields told the thrice-weekly paper, "The sentence calls for Baker to pay us \$9,000 at \$400 per month and put him on two years of unsupervised probation. I told my sister, 'This is happening because we don't live in Letcher County and don't vote in Letcher County.'"

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Voting ...

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sold the county the voting machines has checked the Dingus and Ward 3 machines and has told him the programming errors have been taken care of. He said he has demanded that the company replace the machine at Ezel and expects to have a replacement for it soon.

Despite the problems, Williams said he is "one hundred percent confident" of the accuracy of the vote counts. Discrepancies have emerged, he said. But with one exception, they have proved to be the result of human errors made by precinct officers in recording the machine totals, and these were corrected after double-checking the machine tallies.

The exception, Williams said, was when the voting machine at Ezel not only locked up, it also counted one candidate's vote twice. That discrepancy also was detected and corrected during a routine review by election officials before the vote was officially certified the next day, Williams said. And even if the error had gone undetected, it would have made no difference in the outcome of the election, Williams said.

And said Williams, recanvasses requested by candidates in two close races (for jailer and magistrate) revealed no discrepancies in the machine tabulations.

Following the vote count by the election commissioners, the votes tabulated on each machine's ballot cartridge are printed out for visual inspection, he said, "but the flash drive (external memory) that operates each machine is set and sealed before the votes are cast and are not to be broken."

Williams said the county has requested funding for new election equipment and said he is hopeful that enough extra money may become available to replace the problem machines in Dingus

and Ward 3 and his goal is to purchase five or six additional voting machines. "We need at least three machines to handle the number of voters in some of the larger precincts, such as Dingus, Caney, and Ezel," he said.

The county has enough voting machines available to permit the use of two in each precinct.

City Council ...

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equipment."

Councilman Mark Walter also noted that most local businesses have been cooperative in paying the occupational tax.

In other business, Mayor Nickell announced that the city had recently acquired land on Index Hill to construct a new fire station.

"Commercial Bank has donated this property to the city for the fire station project," Nickell said. "We will be applying for funding to build the station soon. The fire department's plan is to shoot for the top of the mountain and build a rather extensive station."

Fire Chief John Conley also informed the council that the department had recently added four new members, with five other members currently taking fire instructor courses to train new recruits upon certification.

The council approved a rate increase for the Morgan County Water District of \$0.14 cents per 1,000 gallons of water purchased from the city, as well as a contract extension with Veolia garbage collection service including a 5 percent rate increase for local customers of approximately \$0.40 annually.

Council members present were Alton Pelfrey, Jim Rupe, Mark Walter, Belinda Jordan and Vickie Henley, as well as Mayor Bob Nickell, Attorney Joleen Frederick and Clerk Sally Barker. Meetings are conducted in the council room above City Hall on the fourth Monday of each month at 5 p.m.

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Rat poison used in attempt to murder restaurant customer

OLIVE HILL — Two McDonald's employees were arrested Jan. 12 in connection with an alleged attempt to poison a customer at the Olive Hill restaurant.

Christopher D. Stephens, 33, is charged with attempting to kill the husband of co-worker Patricia Renee Vanlandingham, 37. Vanlandingham, who allegedly was having an affair with Stephens, is charged with criminal conspiracy to commit murder.

According to authorities, the pair conspired to lace the food

ordered by Vanlandingham's husband with rat poison. Police said Stevens placed the poison on the food, but was spotted doing so by another employee, who thwarted the murder attempt.

Stephens and Vanlandingham were both lodged in the Carter County Extension Center where both remain under \$250,000 full-cash bond each.

Olive Hill Police Chief Bobby Hall said there was never a public health threat at McDonald's. "This was a premeditated, calculated attack on an individual," Hall said. "There was no threat to the public at any time."

Woman killed, two hurt in Menifee Co. collision on U.S. 460

FRENCHBURG — A Carter County woman is dead and two Menifee County men are injured following an automobile accident in Means last Friday.

Kentucky State Police officials said Phyllis Kyle, 32, of Olive Hill, was traveling eastbound on U.S. 460 in Means when her vehicle was struck by a vehicle carrying operator Joshua Knies, 23, of Frenchburg, and passenger Stephen Smallwood, 41, of Frenchburg.

Menifee County Coroner pronounced Kyle dead at the scene, while Knies and Smallwood were transported to St. Joseph's East in Mt. Sterling with non-life threatening injuries.

Police said the cause of the crash remains undetermined at this time.

The accident remains under investigation by KSP Det. Larry Bowling. Assisting with the accident were the Menifee County sheriff's office, Menifee County Fire/Rescue and Montgomery County EMS.

Counties eligible to apply for grants to plan development

Thirty-two Southern and Eastern Kentucky counties, including Morgan, are eligible to apply for funding assistance in the form of mini-grants for community projects that encourage and support improved community strategic planning and implementation.

The Center for Rural Development in Somerset is accepting applications through its Developing and Implementing Community Strategies program. Funding is provided by ARC. Applica-

tions for the first cycle of project funding are due by Friday, Feb. 29, for the project period of Apr. 7 through Oct. 6, 2008.

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Instructors needed for Upward Bound program at MSU

MOREHEAD, Ky.—The Upward Bound programs at Morehead State University are seeking applications for instructors to teach in the summer component, June 2 - July 3.

Creative, enthusiastic people are needed in mathematics, language arts, sciences, career planning, foreign languages, drama, dance, physical education, art, critical thinking, music, photography, psychology, crafts and other elective areas.

Instructors teach between 9 and 15 hours per week, depending on the subject. Applicants must have at least a bachelor's degree; teaching experience and/or experience working with teenagers is preferred.

The deadline to apply is Feb. 29. To obtain an application, contact the Upward Bound office at (606) 783-2611 or visit 108 Waterfield Hall on Morehead's campus. The application also is available online at <http://www.moreheadstate.edu/ub>.

Blackwater Fire Dept. rescues elderly woman

By Miranda Cantrell James

Members of the Blackwater Volunteer Fire Department responded to a reported housefire on the west side of Greasy Hill on Monday, Jan. 28, rescuing an elderly woman from her smoke-filled kitchen.

Blackwater Fire Chief Claudell Nickell said that Nellie Jones, 96, was cooking in her kitchen when the food began to burn and fill the room with smoke.

"Nellie's great-grandchildren had just returned from an after-school program," Nickell said. "They realized something was wrong, but the door was locked and they could not get in the home. The kids flagged down Mountain Telephone employee Junior Barrett, who had happened to drive by."

Barrett assisted the children and notified the proper authorities of the incident.

Nickell said firefighters determined upon arrival that the house was not on fire, as department member Bill Lawson retrieved Jones from the smoky interior.

"There was no fire but some smoke damage," Nickell said. "Firefighters ventilated the home after they removed Nellie, who was lying on the kitchen floor. Thankfully she wasn't injured; the whole situation could have been considerably worse."

Approximately eight firefighters responded the call with back up from Morgan County EMS.

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Childhood games on Glenn Avenue

By Sandra Spencer Sharp

The childhood days on Glenn Avenue have never been the same since December 1955 Dad (Dr. Spencer) decided to move one mile outside town. Dad told Mother he wanted his children to experience country living of hiking in the woods and having a horse. I wonder, though, if underneath his plan the real motive was to let the neighborhood become a safer place for the children who remained behind.

What could a brother and his two sisters do on 100 acres of land to equal the challenges of Glenn Avenue?

The only profit to myself that I noticed as compare the fun of both places was that spankings became fewer and ended abruptly one day when Dad told Mother to stop letting us make so much noise of her patients' heads, and that required spankings. We stopped immediately. I wonder why did not set that rule back on Glenn Avenue and saved my mother's hands from hurting? A neighbor once asked mother if all she did was spank her children.

How did a premature 7-month-old baby get to be so tough? Was it because I had an older brother who pushed me down every step of town, or because I heard of Mother's tomboy days in Indiana? Or because most of the children on Glenn Avenue were boys? Can you imagine bobby and Joe Nickell, Larry and Scotty McClain, Danny, David and Ben McClain or Paul Lyons playing with paper dolls or having tea parties? Get serious! So, Carolyn and Ginny Gardner and I learned to play baseball, basketball marbles and mumbly-peg.

But these games were not

enough, so I soon invented more fun and often dangerous games to make life more interesting.

The first game came after mother taught me to scramble eggs for my own breakfast at six years old, so I could get up earlier than everyone and go out and awaken the neighbors. I decided one morning as I ate toast and eggs to see how fast I could blow out a napkin after lighting it with a match. After three times it flamed so quietly I threw it into a metal trash can and ran and jumped back into bed to avoid getting caught. Darryl awakened to the smell of smoke and ran to our parents. The flour had a bad burnt my rear felt the burn too.

The creek behind our house holds one of my fondest memories. Donnie and Ginny lived two houses from us, and it was so much fun when the creek as high to take a basketball or floatable item, place it in the creek then run to their house and to the playground bridge to see if could retrieve the item. Often we did not. That game ended when I tried to throw a new pair of shoes across the creek at the bridge and one missed hitting the other side.

Remember the game of Cowboys and Indians? I made a rule that if anyone got shot, he/she fell instantly in place and remained until everyone got shot. Mother did not find the game exciting when she came down the street from the grocery store and almost ran over me!

When Donnie Gardner turned five, his parents gave him a dart board and placed it on their basement wall. His mother explained the rules: NEVER get in front of the board, or the game would be taken away immediately! In a few days, the game became boring, so I suggested one that was

more challenging. We took a large spruce box about an inch thick, placed it on a broom, and moved the broom from left to right and threw darts at the box.

Donnie threw a dart while I moved the box. It missed the box, so we started hunting for it. It was so sharp that it had gone into my left hand. I laced my right hand over it and ran upstairs. Melvin screamed and told me to run home and let mother take it out, phoning my mother to say Donnie threw a dart that hit my stomach.

I don't recall ever telling them about the game, but Melvin was true to her word and took the darts away. If it were not for my age spots, I could still see the scar that barely missed a vein.

Another challenging game was going to May's Wholesale and running back and forth under the loading trucks while the engines were running to count the times we could run back and forth before the driver pulled the net. One day a driver spotted us in his mirror and jumped out and said he would spank all of us if we ever did such a stupid thing again.

Cars often came down our street with drivers unknown to us. At the count of three, we would see if we could run across the street before they came dangerously close. Our parents never caught us so one Sunday after lunch at Stamper's restaurant/bus stop, Ginny, Carolyn and I were holding our parents' hands when a bus started to pull up. I looked at them and shouted, "One, two three... Go!" The bus barely missed us, so our parents were loyal to their spanking rule.

Before Bobby and Joe Nickell moved, they were part of a favorite game. The park had a won-

derful merry-go-round, which was used for our "pick up sticks" game. We selected a stick off a tree, placed it under the seats where we laid flat on our stomachs, then appointed someone to push the ridge really fast. Everyone tried to grab the stick with their hands. The winner became the next pusher. I was not there the day Joe Herman, if I am correct, fell off and broke his arm. Another game ended.

My last game gave me clear insight into my dad. I was about eight years old. My parents joined Blake and Gertrude Nickell for supper at their home, leaving Martha Thomas as our sitter. It was winter, so our two floor furnaces were operating. One heater had to be crossed to enter the bathroom. I suggested we set the thermostat and see how many times we could cross it barefooted before it got too hot. We increased the temperature by 10 degrees after each run. We cross twice before 80 degrees.

It was my turn. I did not want to be called chicken so I made a quick dash. My second foot landed on the grate and burned my foot! Martha quickly phoned Dad, and I was sure he had come home to give special attention. Instead, Martha described the burn, and carefully followed his instructions to put ice on it, salve and a bandage of gauze. I learned my lesson the hard way. I would rather have gotten caught and had a spanking.

Most games came to an end after moving to the country. Mother's "taxi" did not make trips to town to pick up friends very often, so Dad put a basketball hoop over the garage, and we started riding old Red, our horse. Finally Glenn Avenue returned back to normal!

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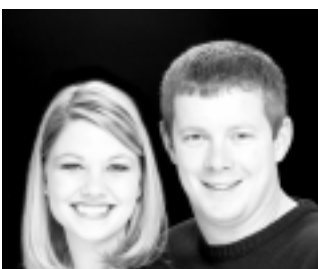
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The 2007 Christmas dinner was held on Dec. 10 at the Carl Perkins Center in Rowan County. The volunteers were served a nice dinner by volunteers in the community and were entertained by Lyle Stone and friends, along with a surprise

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We would like to thank everyone who contributed to the large selection of door prizes that were given to the volunteers and also thanks to Mary Dougherty and the Menifee County Homemakers for the delicious desserts they prepared for the dinner. We would also like to thank the Advisory Council members from all five counties for the cakes they contributed for the cake raffle.

A special thank you goes to Greg Lewis for his undertaking in the role of Santa Claus. A very appreciative thank you goes to all of the volunteers who donated their time in making this dinner a success.

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Johnson judge exec. is working on plan to reduce jail costs

PAINTSVILLE — Johnson County Judge Executive Tucker Daniel thinks he may have found a way to ease the financial burden for housing his county's jail inmates.

Daniel is pushing for medical rates for inmates closer to those of indigent persons and has requested that Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center charge the county rates closer to those of the state's health insurance program when treating an inmate from Johnson County.

Daniel said 99 percent of inmates at the Big Sandy Regional Detention Center are indigent and would qualify for Medicaid

if they were not incarcerated.

If the hospital agrees, Daniel said it would provide the county some relief, at least in its medical bills for inmates.

Daniel pointed out that his county's transfers of \$40,000 each month for jail costs are a major financial problem for the Johnson Fiscal Court. He noted that the escalating cost of operating local jails has created a \$120 million deficit for fiscal courts across the state.

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KSP looking for man who robbed Morehead store

Kentucky State Police troopers are currently investigating a robbery that took place in a Morehead grocery store last Saturday evening in which the perpetrator escaped.

Police said they responded at 8 p.m. to Park Hills Grocery, where a white male subject had entered and implied that he had a weapon while demanding money from the clerk. The subject then left the scene with an undetermined amount of money.

The case remains under investigation by KSP Trooper Josh Lawson.

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